Florida Atlantic University  
Student Government  
Boca Raton House of Representative  
5th legislative session  
25th March 2011  
Call to order at 3:39PM  
Pledge of allegiance  
OATH OF OFFICE:  

Boris: at this time I would like to call upon the 2 elected representatives who were not sworn in last week please come up to the front here. And based off what I see the president is here. I have the oath of office here so please come down as well. The president will give the oath of office to the new members, not in-housed, just the elected representatives. [President Maher gives the oath of office to Aarons and Mohi individually]  

Boris: That puts us at 29 members with 14 open seats, which we will get to momentarily.  

ROLL CALL:  
*Absent: Becker, Berichi, McCoy, Ortiz, Pollock and Robinson  

APPROVALS:  
*Motion to approve the 18th March 2011 minutes by Varela; seconded by Montes  
*Motion to approve the 25th March 2011 agenda by Massetti; seconded by Tepper  

SPECIAL ORDER SPEECHES:  

Boris: Cell phones. I use my cell phones during the meeting for the clock. I am keeping an eye on people’s time and an eye on how the minutes are going. I understand I sympathize when you check your phone if you want to see if you got a message from someone. If I see you looking at your phone I am not going to ask you put them away. But there are rules for communicating. You are not allowed to be texting people or emailing people in a state meeting. The problem that I have is and I have seen it before you. Broward is having a free go-carting event. 9pm tomorrow night. Relay for life is April 1st. I know Capata would want to work with that. They have you stay up all night walking a 5k. All the proceeds go to the American Cancer Society.  

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Jad Khazem: Friends, colleagues, it is an honor to be here today. SI is a program that you guys have probably read a lot about already. It has helped me throughout my college years. I am a part of it as a leader. I am an SI leader to express our appreciation to the teachers and the likes. I am a leader, but only one of many. It is definitely incumbent upon us getting our names out there more, we need to instill SI into the FAU pop culture. We need to reassure our students so they can wear their shirts and bring their pencil to the exam and reassure them that they did it in SI they can perform the same way on the test. There is no greater cause and I think it makes all the difference. With that I urge your support for the SI bill. God bless.  

Khazem: Yes. Thanks for looking over it.  

Boris: I would like to recognize the Student Body President Ayden Maher 

Maher: How was your trip to Tallahassee? 

Jad: Am I allowed to talk about that here. I encourage everybody to go and I think our voices were definitely heard in Tallahassee  

*Motion to admit all members by Montes; seconded by Smatrakeleva at 3:51PM*  

-POP: Dumas at 3:51PM 

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Currently we have the highest athletic fee in the state. I oppose this increase in fees and they are proposing a 15% tuition increase. I said from day one that I don’t want to increase fees. It is time for them to go out to the community and donate to the program and give money to the athletic.  

Boris: the speaker’s time has expired I will need a motion  

*Motion to extend the speakers time by 3 minutes by Varela; seconded by Montes* 

Maher: Thank you guys. I oppose the fee it is miniscule it is only 75cents, but if they are relying on a fee to increase we are taking 5 years time we could see a 50% increase in student fees. You tuition and fees will be 100% by the time you graduate more than when you came to FAU. Since we have the highest fee in the state. Once a department and university ask for a fee increase it now opens the door so every department can ask for a fee increase. If the state mandates a 15% tuition increase, now we could see a 30% increase in fees because they were increase 15% last year. So I oppose it. I will continue to oppose it and try to change it. So I am going on the record that I oppose the said fee. That is why we went to Tallahassee to lobby because if you don’t lobby it comes from the backs of the students because it doesn’t come from the state it comes from you. Broward is having a free go-carting event. 9pm tomorrow night. Relay for life is with April 1st. I know Capata would want to work with that. They have you stay up all night walking a 5k. All the proceeds go to the American Cancer Society. Ritter art gallery opened last night it is all BFA seniors that are graduating and go and see what you paying for. It is right near Einstein’s. Since Evan is not here. I will give his report there is a baseball game at 6:30PM
*Motion to admit all members by Capata; seconded by Smatrakeleva [Dumas in ]; at 4:02PM

VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT: ALREADY GIVEN

CHIEF JUSTICES REPORT:

Scalice: It has been a big week to the court. I received a message from James Tobin that he resigned due to personal reason. It is now open. It is appointed by the governor with a 2/3 approval from the house. If you would like it is appointment of the governor. Or the Senior Vice President of Student Affairs will have to make the appointment. It was a petition filed by the student submitted it in the House of Representatives. The court voted to deny the petition. During the meeting there was no recommendation. There was no need for a tie breaking vote. But I think the court needs to revisit this and it is weird. Without any reason for it. We are going to revisit it and if need be it would give the associate justices the opportunity to voice their reasoning. If need be to change the decision.

Questions:

Boris: Do you think the associate justices should be paid?

Scalice: I don’t think that the associate justices should be paid it is a very important position, getting paid or not getting paid that should not be the reason. We don’t need people that want to just rush through meetings. It is more a issue of finding the right people for the job. I am not sure what your question refers to I think that should be left up to the determining body to decide if they should get paid for it or not. So that should be the house or the senate’s decision.

Boris: Are you aware that at these court meetings there should not be an open forum, but that people should be able to make their case and there should be a written decision for the why they voted that way.

Scalice: we want it to be a transparent process and we don’t want anyone to feel that there was no due process. We will offer them to make a brief statements when we have a student court meeting to see if the petition holds enough weight to make a hearing. It is only to determine whether they should have a hearing or not. But we will make the meetings a little more open to the petitioners and the respondent.

PROGRAM REPORTS:

NIGHT OWLS: Jon Waller; I am here to talk about brhb1112 night owls needs to expand part II. Our plan is to buy 3 golf cars have them ready to go by fall. Thank you very much for that, thanks. We purchased the last week’s one. Additionally, this bill is to get the third and final golf cart. Residents are going to increase 50%. And that is why we need an extra golf cart and employees to meet the demand.

Massetti: When you wrote the first bill we already knew then that innovation village was going to be built, what happened to make you realize you need another one?

Waller: the plan was always to get 3, the third purchase was in the new budget. I hear there is extra money and 2, the positions when the budget went in were the same as it is now, but we realized they need another dispatcher, and that dispatcher would be paid with the funds that were originally allocated for the purchase of the new golf cart. Also it would give me more time to get everything approved if we were to do it now, rather than later and this would make sure we are up and running by fall.

Massetti: We paid for one and the governor matched it with another one, have you asked the governor if she would match it again or pay half of this one?

Waller: have I asked her? No

Nudrick: What happens if the demand for night owls becomes too much are you going to come back and ask for more golf carts and more dispatchers?

Waller: I hesitate to guess because I am leaving in the fall and I am just trying to prepare them the best, but I really don’t know how to answer it; it depends on the new director for the next time.

Fritz: How much does it cost to pay for a dispatcher compared to the $7,500 that we allocated you?

Waller: Good question, a position for 15 hours a week would be about $5,000 to $6,000 a year.

Maher: can the golf carts be battery operated?

Waller: I would like more than anything an electric or battery operated golf cart. I am a big tree hugger. And when I was getting the wheelchair cart I was concerned with that but right now those carts can’t handle a 5 hours constant run time.

Fritz: What do you do with that extra $1,000 to $2,000 dollars?

Waller: I would be open to any ideas.

*Motion to admit all members by Dumas; seconded by Montes at 4:12PM

MP: Shamal Williams: Nice food. Right now I only have one announcement we have an event next Wednesday at 6PM in the Kaye hall. We are bringing in Sharlese Doyl, she was the campaign manager for Hillary Clinton. She was the first Hispanic to hold such a position. It is not normal to have minority, she is a ground breaker. I just want to make on. Last Monday, Ryan Johnson, talked about some diversity issues. We spent a lot of money.

Bishara: Hello everyone. The food made it down here that is good. I haven’t been able to be here in person. Some of you got to meet the candidates for the coordinator position. At those meetings you should have received a review sheet. I would like to thank those of you. If you have received that and you have not yet turned it in please do.

The search committee will review the sheets and make a recommendations for that position. If you have any questions. I recommend you speak to Ayden, Boris Allison or Nick hauch. She enjoyed [Garcia] hearing some of the issues. Aside from that I went on the rally in tally trip Ella, Ayden was here from there. Ayden did a great job. We got some good pictures to share with you guys. I look forward to the future to see this happen more frequently. I recommend that you be excited about that. Other than that we did had an elections board hearing. The second one was ruled as a major violations. They have until 6:40PM today to appeal that decision. The chair of the elections Thomas Levy. It was 640 pm last night, so 24-hours makes it 6:40PM today. Other than that is all I have to say.

Lupo: Why was Puchpferen and burkman disqualified?

Bishara: a contestation based on Bribery.

Massetti: Are you aware the I spoke to Joanna Garcia today, she seems very enthusiastic and it would be nice and intelligent and I would like to see her be hired?

Bishara: I am now aware.

Capata: are you also aware that I would like to see her also be hired?

Bishara: I am now aware. Can I ask a question?

Boris: No

Blouin: Do you have any questions you would like to ask?

Bishara: How many of you saw more than one candidate? Okay

CHAIR REPORTS:

COC: I am the pro-temp and I chair of COC what we do is we meet with the committee chairs and we also do absence appeals if you miss a meeting you receive points. If you have a legitimate excuse you put the absence appeal in my box. I would also like to apologize that I was late it was very unprofessional on my part. And I was happy that you guys were willing to come and work with me. We had 2 absence appeals and we appealed them both.

Questions: None

RP: Phillips: Today we just discussed one bill brhb1110, which is the bill that the SI leader came to speak about today and we are in full support of it.

Questions: None

Massetti: we also met today at 1:30PM the WM committee and we went of brhb110 the SI bill and we recommend it be passed today and we had quorum for the first time in the month. Thank you guys. If you weren’t here meet with me after about scheduling
Instead of complaining about it, but actually doing it. I was in the marching band for this spring and I was in the pep band for fall. I am also in the explorer LLC.

Anastasi: Do you have any specific projects you would like to tackle? Anastasi: Anything you see on campus that you want to change?

Capata: do you live on campus?

David Rotondo: Not Present

Tatiana Perez: Not Present

Joseph: Yes

Boris: I would like to recognize James

^POI: Grider: if we don't want to vote for people that are not here do we have to vote for 14 people?

Boris: the 14 or 15 are getting voted on. If these people are voted on today, we don't have to fill all the seats. It is not that if we deny someone today they can do it next week. They have to start all over again. You can vote no as much as you want, but you can only vote yes 14 times

Stephanie Alvarez: Not present

Jennifer Braisted: Not Present

Boris: I got a email from her saying she couldn't be here.

Coicou: Not much to say, what I am going to say many of you here know me already and I would like to thank those people that are in-housing who are here, believe me you are going to get in. Also, but the house is a really great place to start and I believe if you want to do something big it is here that you start.

Questions: None

Jennifer Joseph: Good afternoon. I am from Port St. Lucie Florida, I am undecided. I wanted to join SG. I see a lot of things on campus, but I would like a better opportunity.

Joseph: I am currently a member of the college democrats, yesterday I came to the college republicans, Michelle and Joe Kaufmann. I figure I should stop by and I don't want to be all one sided I wanted to see what the other side was like.

Randy Ellis: Not Present

Katie Googenberg: Not Present

Adam Gordon: Hi my name is Adam Gordon. I am from Southern California. I went to a military high school. I am a member of phi kappa alpha. I am a member of SSDP and mission green.

Questions: None

Capata: what is your reason for being in student government?

Gordon: I would really like to represent those organizations and be involved on campus.

Blouin: Are you aware that if you did get into the house you will not be able to wear a hat?

Dunne: Oh really. I will keep that in mind.

Anastasi: Are you aware that I see you around campus can you tell us other organizations you are involved in?

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Joseph: Specifically?

Anastasi: Anything you see on campus that you want to change?

Joseph: In general, how there isn't a lot of parking. The resident's live on campus. Resident parking. I think the residents should get better opportunity.

Capata: do you live on campus?

Joseph: Yes

John Maher: Not Present

Tatiana Perez: Not Present

David Rotondo: Not Present

Stephanie Severe: Not Present

Bejan Tolu: Not Present

Boris: I would like to recognize James

^POI: James: I wonder if I put an application today it would be too late?

Boris: No this thing was cut off Tuesday Night. I will have another in-house election. We are going to keep doing them now.

^POI: Varela: do you mind giving us a few minutes to tally our yes votes and no votes.

Boris: I will explain the process for a few moments. I guess some of you are voting for the people that are not here. We have 14 seats open. You can only vote yes 14 times.

You can vote no on all of them. How you vote is up to you, why you vote is up to you.

STEPHANIE ALVAREZ:
Roll Call Vote: A vote of Yes is to approve Stephanie Alvarez a vote of no is to not approve

^POI: Grider: Can I pass on people that aren’t here?
Boris: No if they aren’t here today they can apply late. It was kind of short notice and maybe getting an email on Wednesday through them off a little bit, but that is just how it goes.
Rudnick: Just to clarify we will be in-housing every meeting?
Boris: Yes, but there will only be like two a week so it won’t take as long.
Vote: 23 No and 1 Yes

JENIFFER BRAISTED:

^POI: Blouin: Could you elaborate on what the e-mail said because you said they emailed you?
Boris: Stephanie Braisted did e-mail me this morning as I got several of them and she said she had a prior arrangement. But they should know that our meetings are every week at this time.

^POI: Lupo: Will you remind us who emailed you?
Boris: Jennifer Braisted emailed me, Ellis, Cyrise, and Tolu

*Motion to admit all members by Grider; seconded by Tepper at 4:45pm

Boris: we will now be voting on Jennifer Braisted. A vote of yes is to approve a vote of no is to not approve.
Vote: 16 Yes and 8 No [approved]

PATRICIO COICUO:

Boris: A vote of yes is to approve Patricio Coicou a vote of no is to not approve.
Vote: 21 Yes and 3 No [approved]

CLAIREMINE CYRISE:

Boris: A vote of yes it to approve Cyrise and a vote of no is to not approve
Vote: 24 yes and 0 no [approved]

-POP: Tepper at 4:50PM
IAN DUNNE:

-POP: Smatrakeleva at 4:50PM

Boris: I was here but I really don’t like it when we get to certain things and people don’t like it, Mr. Dunne will now be vote on. A vote of yes is to approve and a vote of no is to not approve
Vote: 12 No and 8 Yes

KATIE GOOTENBERG:

*Motion to admit all members by Ward; seconded by Montes at 4:54PM

^POI: Capata: Please look at them and read even if they are not here because Katie Gootenberg has a lot of credentials.

^POI: Dumas: I was also going to vote for Katie Gootenberg because she knows about resolutions.

^POI: Blouin: She has her resume attached so you can also look at that.

^POI: Rudnick: if someone doesn’t show up I don’t have an respect for that person.

^POI: Dumas: she submitted her application in January and some submitted their applications as far back as November of last year. Life happens.

^POI: Ward: I happen to know this individual, she is in alpha z delta and their formal is tonight.

Boris: We will now be voting on Katie Gootenberg, a vote of yes is to approve and a vote of no is to not approve
Vote: 17 yes and 7 No [approved]

ADAM GORDON:

-POP: Ward at 4:59PM

Boris: A vote of yes is to approve a vote of no is not to approve.
Vote: 24 Yes and 0 No [approved]

LEANDRO GUIMARES:

Boris: A vote of yes is to approve a vote of no is not to approve.
Vote: 23 Yes and 0 No [approved]

JENIFFER JOSEPH:

Boris: A vote of yes is to approve a vote of no is not to approve.
Vote: 23 Yes and 0 No [approved]

^POI: Anastasi: The next candidate we in-housed him in the last semester and it’s unfortunate that he couldn’t be here because he did show up to a lot of meetings.

-POP: Rudnick at 5:02PM
-POP: Gorry at 5:02PM

^POI: Varela: the only reason why he wasn’t there, he was not aware that he had to be on the ballot, he is a great representative and you should all vote for him

JOHN MAHER:

*Motion to admit all members by Grider; seconded by Montes at 5:05 [Rudnick and Ward entered]

Boris: A vote of yes is to approve a vote of no is not to approve.
Vote: 15 Yes and 6 No [approved]

TATIANA PEREZ:

-POP: Wu at 5:05PM
-POP: Dumas at 5:06PM

*Motion to admit all members by Varela; seconded by Smatrakeleva at 5:07

^POI: Rudnick: Granted he is not here take that in mind when voting.
Boris: A vote of yes is to approve a vote of no is not to approve.
Vote: 16 No and 6 Yes

*Motion to admit all members by Rudnick; seconded by Montes

DAVID ROTONDO:

Boris: A vote of yes is to approve a vote of no is not to approve.
Vote: 21 No and 1 Yes

STEPHANIE SEVERE:

*Motion to admit all members by Montes; seconded by Rudnick
Boris: A vote of yes is to approve a vote of no is not to approve.
Vote: 20 No and 3 Yes

BEJAN TOLU:
Boris: A vote of yes is to approve a vote of no is not to approve.
Vote: 13 No and 11 Yes

-DPOP: Alincy at 5:12PM
Boris: We have just elected 8 new representatives we will be swearing in at the end of the meeting if they are not sworn in today then they will be sworn in next week.

HOUSE FORUM:
Dumas: I attended the focus group and I was very surprised. I passed out a survey, it was very short, but I just wanted to gauge the students, most want it to be renovated.

-DPOP: Blouin at 5:13PM
Dumas: when I polled them on the time of their visit 8pm-12 am. The two days they go the least are Saturday and Sunday the days they go the most are Thursday, followed by Tuesday and Wednesday and most of them did not live on campus.

“Point of Order: Boris: No one in the back can speak to any representatives, just so you know.
Dumas: I have some comments from the surveys; “our library is simply not inviting.” “We need more tables.” “Mold removal.” “The library has an area on the ceiling that is exposed.” “Electronic outlets.” “The library is dirty and old it is freezing and uncomfortable.” They would rather see it improved than extended. The majority said they wouldn’t go even if we extended the hours. Granted it is a small pool of students, but it is not still our constituents none the less.

Questions:
McCoy: Are you aware how many people did you ask?
Dumas: This was during the focus group and it was 24 students.
McCoy: I am pretty sure there are more than 24 students who are on this campus.

Dumas: Are you aware that we use online voting only 3 to 4 % vote and we still change our constitution and statues.

-Point of Order: You don’t have to ask a question by putting are you aware in front of it. Your follow-up question has to be very similar.
Wu: of those 24 student how many were members of the House of Representatives?
Dumas: Not very many.

Massetti: We’ve been promoting this event, we have been trying to get as much people who care about FAU there and we had 24 people there who care. Regardless of whether there were SG students there, don’t you think that is a valid assessment?
Dumas: Yes, it is just like a UW polling only 3 to 4 % vote and it still enacts big change.

Grider: are you guys aware that the University Press said that only 10 students there were not student government representatives?
Dumas: That’s not true.

Grider: That is what I got from the University Press...

Dumas: I don’t believe that.

Capata: Were you there?

Dumas: I was there all day.

Massetti: Do you think that just because there were SG students and they voiced their opinion, they there should know more about what is going on. They know more about what is going on.

Dumas: I don’t think it should invalidate a SG member’s viewpoint at all and I was there from beginning to end and there was more than 10 people not from SG.

Varela: Regardless of whether or not they are SG students, they were still in favor that they want to put money into the library. Are you aware?
Dumas: I am aware.

Varela: So now since the students said yes we want to put money into the library, would you be willing to write legislation that puts money into the library, like this one.

Dumas: During the fourth legislative session former representative Dell wrote a bill to clean up the library and I sponsored that bill. I agree with renovating the library. I don’t go there because it is uncomfortable.

Massetti: There were two questions on this survey one asked do you want the library hours extended? The other one asked what do you think is more necessary to extend the hours or clean it? And both questions people said no to extending the hours.

Dumas: Yes.

Boris: Are you aware that every single SG member pays fees too?

Dumas: Absolutely.

-DPOP: Phillips at 5:30PM
Rudnick: I would just like to speak about the library. I’d rather see the excess SG money spent on renovations. The reason why the library is so cold is because there is a special collection. We have really old records and they need to be kept at a very low low temperatures. Now as far as why the rest of the University is so cold I have no idea.

Anastasi: I just want to talk very quick because I have to leave. It is not about the library. I will not be going there today because it is closing. I wanted to speak on brhb-11-10, I just have a problem spending $5,000 for shirts and squeaky toys to promote a free SI session. I think we could take half of that and hire a new SI leader. I want to commend the speaker and the governor, I think it is great that we are going to come up to Florida Sunshine State laws and I was thinking maybe we should be better to give the bills 72 hours instead of 48, to make us the best in the state and who doesn’t want to be a shining star in the state of Florida, it is the sunshine state.

Rudnick: were you aware that the speaker is completely against paying someone’s salary?

Anastasi: Yeah, I am aware, but I am completely against spending $5,000 on shirts.

Capata: Are you aware that I love your enthusiasm and I am very sad that you won’t be here for the rest of the meeting?

Anastasi: I’ll be at work. I will be very busy with a 3 and 5 year old, oh actually I have 5 tonight.

Boris: I would like to recognize Mr. Khazem.
Khazem: You mentioned it is free so don’t you believe it is good to spend a little more money on t-shirts and things like that?

Anastasi: A little bit is not $5,000.

Khazem: in regards to hiring more employees we have to do that with the next fiscal year, we have to work with what we have now.

Anastasi: okay. I commend you on writing the bill, but I am saying personally I think $5,000 is a little too much on shirts

Blouin: Are you aware that some of the bills can’t be given 72 hours in advance because some people don’t turn them in until the very last minute.

Anastasi: That’s why we need to change that.

Blouin: But some people need that time.

Anastasi: Then their bills can be the next week.

-DPOP: Anastasi at 5:23PM
Grider: Oh great here we go again right? I am not going to start off with that. T-shirts guys, t-shirts? SI is awesome. I haven’t gone to a single q and b class since my last test because I got a 85 because of SI. I go to SI because we have a SI leader that is in my class. What has a leader on blackboard on the left hand side that says supplemental instruction with all of the material that is going to be on the test. He will go over it every week he will give me the best review he can give me an 85 and I don’t have to go to class. The thing is they give us an education, but how much is owl tutoring? Do I really want to pay that guy Neal. I don’t know how much we pay those $5,000 I would much rather give SI another person than a t-shirt. You guys hate me because this is the 3rd week in a row, there are new people so I have to talk about it and why I wrote the library bill is because the library hours suck

Boris: The speaker’s time has expired I will need a motion.

*Motion to extend the speakers time by 5 minutes by Varela; seconded by Montes; Objection by Arsolino: friendly amendment to change to one minute. Accepted by Varela.

Grider: I will start with you here. Table it if you really must. Why did you write this bill? I am here on behalf of the students. I am here to represent them. I saw an opportunity to make FAU a better school. I won’t stand for that anything but the best school. People have objections. We have the Jewish center. You can go there at 3 in the morning, but I am asking at 1 o’clock at night. It might not be that crowded it might be a great place to study. What if I don’t want to go there because it is loud because it is...
Boris: Time has expired

*Motion to extend the speakers time by 2 minutes by Lupo; seconded by Montes; objections to make it just one minute by Rudnick. Accepted.

Grid: Yes, you have heard this before. Where are we? This is where we are at. I am all for you guys. We are here to do pros and cons to everything. This is how I take yours. There is also those that say they would renovate it. Regardless I know there at least 14 SG members. Maybe there were 15 people there at most at the focus group out of 5G. Have these opinions that w...

Boris: Time has expired

*Motion to extend the speakers time by 3 minutes by Montes; seconded by Lupo; Objections by Massetti.

Massetti: I would like to go to a roll call vote.

Roll Call:

Boris: A vote of yes is to extend the speakers time a vote of no is to not extend the speakers time

Vote: 14 yes to 8 no

Grider: 20-30 minutes

Dumas: Follow-up: Did you know that the focus group started at 12:30 and ended at approximately 1:45PM

Grider: I had work, but I am now aware. My statistics came from what I saw and the university press.

Aarons: can we both extend hours and renovate?

Boris: I was unaware that Mr. Aarons asked the entire house for a reply so Mr. Grid can you answer Mr. Aarons’s question.

Grider: Yes, I don’t know how the house would vote on it. But yes it is possible we would have to write a separate bill and pass this one.

Varel: Are you aware that I commend your effort to do something when the school decided not to.

Thank you

Boris: Grider is aware that if students don’t want to go to the library now they may still not want to go there if we extend the hours.

Grider: I am aware that if that is their primary factor for not studying there, but I am also aware that there are other students that will use it. If you think that there are not a lot of students that study there that is fine.

Gorry: follow-up are you aware that what I meant is that students would rather see it renovated because they do not study in the library because it is not clean. So extending the hours, might not make a difference to that many students.

Grider: I am aware that it might not make a difference to the students that don’t use it, but it makes a big difference to those that do use it, which is quite a few.

Boris: Questioning time has expired.

*Motion to extend the questioning time by 3 minutes by Blouin; seconded by Rudnick; 0 objections

Rudnick: Are you aware about the handout you distributed last time. Are you aware that for spending that much money we are not going to be that far ahead of other universities. There are plenty of universities on here that have less library hours. Time is completely ridiculous.

Grider: That is not true because we have the worst hours out of all universities, except for one and they had a total enrollment of I believe 12,000. The last time I checked we are about pushing 30,000, with applications of 19,000, but we are not even close to 12,000. Do you think students would be that way if you didn’t help fund the gym? Do you think we would be that way.

Boris: Time has expired

*Motion to close the floor by Arsolino; seconded by Massetti; 0 objections

Grider: I think you need to recognize Mr. Maher.

Boris: I do not need to recognize anyone from the back. You have the ability to make a motion.

*Motion to recognize president Maher by Grid; seconded by Blouin

Maher: Are you aware the governor and I would both veto the bill?

Capata: I love SI, but I am not a dog and I am not going to give them squeeze toys $500 dollars for pencils. Let’s give them t-shirts. The 700’s are coming up. That is a big, big long, long meeting, the 700 are coming. The 700 you better be prepared. If you don’t know ask somebody. We do need a lot of peoples support and what we should change and should keep the same. Jon Waller has done an amazing job, to see night owls go. Freshman are going to love it, so let’s give them golf carts. The library, we have a new med school coming. Maybe not extend library hours. I am not saying let’s write a bill we have a lot of space on the second entrance because maybe we could make a new library.

Boris: Time has expired

*Motion to extend the speakers time by 3 minutes by Rudnick; seconded by Dumas; objection/friendly amendment by Massetti

Arsolino: At 5:44PM

Massetti: Friendly amendment to extend it 2 minutes [accepted]

Capata: Just some thoughts. Like our library, maybe if we could talk to some bigger higher up positions, maybe we could buy a room or study rooms or a new library.

Questions:

Smatrakeleva: Are you aware that I fully support your idea of a new library?

Capata: Thank you

*Motion to recognize Jad Khazem by Massetti; seconded by Rudnick

Jad: Thank you for you kind words about SI, are you aware that they have to pass out flyers and emails and many people really don’t know if SI is going on. I always get pats on the shoulder if this is happening and are you aware that t-shirts, pencils and squeeze toys promote FAU culture?

Capata: The first thing you have to do is get to know the students and get out your name. I support getting out your name with flyers and t-shirts, I don’t support pencils and squeeze toys and pencils. I completely support you. There are things that are necessary and things that aren’t. Flyers, t-shirts, Yes. Pencils, No. Squeeze toys. No

Fritz: Hi guys. It has been a long time since I have spoke up here. I would like to start off with brhr110. We have all spoke about it, but one of the big concerns was, Rudnick brought up that speaker Bastidas really doesn’t want us to spend money on people’s salaries. I think, like Capata said, I don’t necessarily think advertisements are a bad thing, but I think that salaries are a lot more important when it comes to SI because I know a lot of freshman classes and a lot of sophomore classes, especially science classes have been cut from SI for the more needed even though it is still needed. It is not like saying that secretary gets two more hours pay, it is still funding something under student affairs, but I feel like SI needs to be treated a little bit differently. Other than that BRHR-11-07. It basically has to deal with resident students and meal plans. I would really like you guys to take a look at this because I feel what Chartwells is doing to the students is wrong. They don’t treat them like costumers and I think housing having a joint contract that makes a student live on campus purchase a meal plan without even mentioning Chartwells is also wrong.

Questions:

Dumas: Are you aware that it is shortsighted to hire new SI leaders and not have the funding for the next year.

Fritz: I agree with you Dumas, but maybe by giving them pay it would create more of a reason to give them funding next year and those students would be helped.
Dumas: Are you aware that my fear is that we would be giving students something and having to take it away?
Fritz: The only thing I have to say to that is things are already being taken from the students. If chemistry is more needed than calculus, then calculus will be taken away to supplement another SI instructor, so maybe with more salaries there would be more variety.
Capata: I just want say that, are you aware, the house shouldn’t really fund salaries, but in this instance it would create more diversity?
Fritz: yes
Massetti: What do you think about sending this bill to committees and talk about it and not directly fund people salaries?
Fritz: I agree. I don’t think we should necessarily change anything to this bill today maybe if we send it to committees we will be more level headed and will be able to think about it more.
Massetti: Because that these issues weren’t brought to the committee today are you aware?
Fritz: Yes, I am aware because I sat on all the committee meetings today.
Boris: These long meetings happen sometimes. Parking Racks, Shannon Clouts has not given us a quote, but I am sure she will be soon. Brhb1106 should be tabled indefinitely. I think that brhb1110, I would rather see it passed today. Do you know how many pens we give out? We use the same logic also we have issues with some items going out maybe we shouldn’t give anymore of those toys out. The problem I have with the salaries, isn’t the principle of it, it is the complication between it being next year’s budget. I have suggested that if they want salaries we could vote under next year’s budget. I put it in this bill that they will have to go to campus budget, but if this bill does not pass maybe we shouldn’t give anymore of those toys out. The problem I have with the salaries, isn’t the principle of it, it is the complication between it being next year’s budget. I have suggested that if they want salaries we could vote under next year’s budget. I put it in this bill that they will have to go to campus budget, but if this bill does not pass they can come back later in the summer. Alright the statues, that needs to go to committee we are adding MP, Anastasi noticed that we added some stuff about the website and when I am done I don’t want the next guy to come in and not care. I want to give the committees more purpose. I want to push the points from 6 to 4 and I would also like to make some more amendments because I do believe that there should be a limit on appeals.
Grider: Time has expired

Motion to extend the speakers time by 2 minutes by Tepper; seconded by Dumas; Objection by Capata “friendly amendment to change it to 4 minutes.
Dumas: Suppose the night owls bill for he same reason I support the SI bill. There are a slew of bills. The resolution by Mr. Williams, about the parking fees we should take a look and that should go to committee. Brhb1113; from the 4th legislative session bicycle, bicycle. All we are doing is governor gentry is going to pay for the bicycle. There is no rush, so by all means.

Questions:
Massetti: you said you had a problem with paying for peoples salaries because it is this year’s budget are you aware that the library bill is asking us to do the same thing. Boris: And that is exactly why I am opposed to it along with many other things, but there are some regards for this money being used for this year instead of the next, but I would pick and choose. I would much rather pay for SI than the library salaries.
Fritz: Sorry about it coming back to salaries, but you said we could fund it with next year’s budget, but why not just fund it right now since we have such an increase in funds instead of the $100,000 we will have in June.
Boris: To be totally honest, I think one day some of you need to walk with me to the accounting and budgeting office because I am consistently being told that I cannot spend money next year and then I hear other things that because we have an increase we can. It is one of the most frustrating things I have spent the last two months being told what we can and cannot do with our money and it is pissing me off.

Motion to move to return to the president’s report; seconded by Wu; objection by Lupo.
Lupo: I would like to ask why because he already gave it and it was very good? I would like to go to roll call
POI: can you clarify what we are voting on by Massetti
Boris: yes is to return to presidents report a vote of no is to not return.

Vote: 16 Yes to 5 No

Point of Order: Blouin: Can we not file our nairs during the meeting?

PRESIDENT’S REPORT:
Maher: typically I don’t want to get involved in the debate, but I am waiting to swear people in. I will be shorter that Mr. Grider. UF is open one hour later one day. FIU is open until 10, they have 3 times the enrollment. The total enrollment throughout the entire Boca Raton 12,000. Only two schools have longer hours, one is 3 times the size of us and has a law school and others. You are also funding a salary. Another librarian in which you cannot spend in. We have to deal with the matters of the students of today for the future. As many people have said it is decrepit. In terms for the library bill, something that is definitely not helpful. The funds could definitely be better used. SG has funded through CITF funding, for construction. Not the allocation they are for construction and that is why we are waiting to have a new union and since the governor is cutting the budget we will probably not get CITF funds. In terms of the SI, you should pass it. In terms of the bill Mrs. Fritz wrote, I think students is coerced into signing contracts with Chartwells and has a monopoly on all students. They even have it here in the union. We collect rent from all stores in the union, but not one cent from Coyote Jacks. If Coyote Jacks wishes to pay rent we would have a lot more funds to do things in the student union. Other than that I am open to any questions also about the parking fees. The parking appeals board is meeting to increase fees so you may want to amend it to put in all increases in fees also if you do oppose increasing fees you oppose getting a new parking garage. It is a catch 22.

Questions: None

VETOED BUSINESS: None

TABLED BUSINESS: None

OLD BUSINESS:
BRHB-11-02

Motion to send brhb1102 to all committees by Massetti; seconded by Tepper

BRHB-11-06

Motion to send to all committees by Grider; seconded by Rudnick; object Dumas

Dumas: Pro/con: Seriously do we need to talk about this, I feel we could vote on it today.

Massetti: con: I think we have talked about it enough.

Grider: I have no problem saying that it would pass and we don’t have much time left, if we are not doing anything with it. I think it should be passed.

Dumas: I do not like Grider response. His nonchalance. We shouldn’t be spending the student’s money on something they don’t want. We don’t tell students that we spent their money on things that they didn’t want.

Grider: Pro: would it be better.

Ward: Pro: if we table it at least next week the new members would be able to voice their opinions.

Capata: What he said

*Motion to admit all members by Fritz; seconded by Tepper at 6:08PM

Boris: Roll call vote on whether we should send brhb1106 to all committees. Yes is to send to all committees a vote of no is to not send to all committees.

Vote: 16 No to 5 Yes

-POP: Capata at 6:11PM

Motion to table brhb11-06 table indefinitely by Massetti; seconded by Dumas
BRHB-11-10
*Motion to approve by Varela; seconded by Blouin; objection by Lupo
~Point of Order: Massetti: he gave his pro.
Boris: when someone makes an objection. He didn’t really give a pro he gave them a reason.
Massetti: it is not fair for people that have a con if he is able to give his pro first.
Boris: we will look at some things to see if we should keep it that way. Roll call vote on whether we should approve brhb1110. A vote of yes is to say that we should vote to approve a vote of no is whether we should not vote to approve it
Vote: 12 yes to 7 no. Motion passes.

Boris;
*Motion to admit all members by Massetti; seconded by Rudnick
16y 5 no brhb-11-10 passes
NEW BUSINESS:
BRHR-11-07 "Mutualism at FAU"
*Motion to send to all committees by Montes; seconded by Massetti
BRHB-11-11
*Motion to send to all committees by Massetti; seconded by Rudnick
BRHB-11-12
*Motion to send to all committees by Massetti; seconded by Rudnick
~POI: Dumas: Can we enter quasi committee?
Dumas objects. To go to a roll call
*Motion to admit all members by Rudnick; seconded by Lupo at 6:19PM
Roll Call:
Motion is defeated 16N and 6Y
*motion to move into quasi committee; seconded by Massetti
Boris: it will be like a pro-con. No motions.
*POI: Capata: can we not suspend the rules?
QUASI COMMITTEE
Boris: I will now suspend Roberts rules to make motions. There is still order. Ask some questions. It is like a pro con
-POP: Varela at 6:23PM
Massetti: the reason I send to committee because I wanted to go the governor to see if we could have her pay half of it or maybe for two.
Dumas: we don’t really have to go
Capata: I agree with Dumas I think Jon Waller has been pretty fiscally responsible, it would be out of a different account
Massetti: i am not saying he is not being fiscally responsible. What I am saying is we will pay for one. Why can’t we just wait one more week. It is just trying to be fiscally responsible.
Blouin: if she ends up not paying for half of it.
Dumas: Match and pay half are two different things.
Massetti: doesn’t that have.
Dumas: if you are saying match, by giving it a thousand dollars
Boris: let me interject. I was told by the governor a while back, she wanted to set up a plan, she would purchase one and we would buy another that is considered match. It is decided upon that in the campus budget committee because we were about to buy these carts. But here is the thing. I personally approached Jon, through Gentry, by all means buy another one. He is thinking about using money for ops. We have this extra money. If we pay for this. That means that the governor is not paying for any golf carts. We are trying to pay for another dollar. If we have to go to a proceeding to fix the riders to change ops.
Capata: no you pretty much said it.
Wu: it seems that we have no interaction with the governor. Why wasn’t it discussed with any discussion with her matching the governors account
Boris: there was a discussion for a while. If you want because of how much money we have. We have more than enough money to take on another golf cart. Do you really have to get another one. Then I hear the idea that Jon might like that especially than get the cart in the fall for something else. We changed our previous agreement. We really don’t have to, but we can.
Massetti: I am just treating $7,000 as if it was mine. Because if he was up there I talked to him.
Dumas: he keep saying half and matching regards on what the governor does
Massetti: if we allocate $7,000 it is not the same
*Motion to recognize Ryan Ebanks by Grider; seconded by Fritz
*POI: Blouin. Gentry matched us one. We are thinking of buying them a third golf cart.
-POP: Rudnick
-POP: Mohi at 6:33PM
Wu: I would like to touch up on what fritz was saying he was saying that he wanted to take the money allocated next year to hire new staff. How and where will the money be.
Boris: The next governor could direct on how the money should be spent. I have seen this happen before. And august and September we always have the ability to go back and make changes.
Capata: If she said that we could do.
Boris: the plan is to buy the golf cart in the fall. Then I will recognize night owls director
Jon Waller: We have a total of 7 carts. More than any other golf cart on campus ours are used the most. There are sometimes when we have 4 or maybe 3. We got flat tires and tons of stuff that goes wrong. My goal is to have two extra and I would like to have 2 on standby. I have one that is so old that is a 4 seater that starts with 500. One more that will get rid of that one.
Dumas: is anyone opposed to buying the golf cart now?
Bishara: we will have to come back with legislation to change the appropriated budget.
Boris: of course we have to with COSO
Wu: I just want to clarify. No matter what they will have to come back to the house to change the salary?
Boris: Yes, but I will strongly suggest that we add an amendment to the bill.
-POP: Ward at 6:40PM
*Motion to admit all members by Montes; seconded by Tepper
*motion to close the floor by Capata; seconded by Tepper
BRHB1112:
*Motion to approve by Dumas; seconded by Capata
19 yes and 0 no: Brhb1112passes
BRHB1108:
*motion to send to all committees by Tepper; seconded by Varela

**Brhb1113:**

**Motion to pass BRHB-11-13 by Massetti; seconded by Blouin**

Approved: 19 yes to 0 no

OPEN FORUM: NONE

SPECIAL ORDER SPEECHES:

*Tepper: I just want to make a quick announcement we are still in the running for that ball room dancing competition. I am one of the members of the ballroom club to win $10,000. Just log on to www.Ballroomfantasy.com, college ballroom dance challenge you can vote once per day per computer. The deadline has passed for teams to participate in Relay for Life. I know many of you are already on teams, but if you would like to participate please feel free to e-mail me. I will be sending an email. Also I have continued to keep in contact and so far what I have heard from Kathy Wallace. She needs students for the SHAC, The Student Health Advisory Committee. I had an amazing time in Tallahassee, it was one of the best experiences that I had. If you have any questions you can see me after the meeting.*

*Motion to admit all members by Varela; seconded by Tepper

OATH OF OFFICE TO IN-HOUSED REPRESENTATIVES:

*Boris: I only see a few of the in-housed representatives back there. Could you please come to the front. The President is going to give the oath of office to Coicou, Gordon, Joseph, Dunne, and Guimares.*

LEGISLATIVE REPORT:

*Motion to admit all members by Montes; seconded by Tepper

*Boris: This meeting has been very long. This stuff happens every now and then. It is frustrating I guess when we are just beating a dead horse. I know sometimes there is not a lot of faith and with more members here. Since one or two we will just do in-house every other week. I would just like to take this time to plan what I had planned to talk about. I would like to amend the statutes because I don't like what some of the people said, but by all means we have to be more on top of the website. I would like the pro-tempore to be more and the pro-tempore to immediately update the points. That is one of my issues that could make it easier and something about the in-house, by the way the website had a little bit of trouble. Summit told me it would be back on Wednesday. I would like committees to have a little more power. The house could not vote on particular bills. Statute revisions. It is not like for every bill, but for the big things that only come up once or twice a year. I had an event to go to, but I couldn't make it. I really appreciate the job done. For some of you this it is not a job for some of you it is a hobby. And with that I am open for questions.*

Questions:

*Montes: When is the 700 meeting?*

*Boris: It is going to committees. We are going to print out the current copy and we are plugging in the MP statutes and a few legislative things. I am just trying to give more discussion.*

*Capata: Can you just remind the house of the 700 meeting?*

*Boris: in the summer of 2009 we needed to create statutes. It was written by Chuck Forbes and Marni Sherman. It is not going to take that long because we are only making a few amendments. We are not going to have a meeting from like 2pm until 6pm and have to order dinner.*

*Coicou: Are you aware that this a beautiful group and every one of us in here is a great person?*

*Boris: before I answer that I just want to take a look and think that everyone is a good person. I have no doubt about it.*

*Capata: Anastasi is not here.*

*Guimares: you were talking about the committees, what is the possibility to have the committees do business because they don’t have quorum?*

*Boris: They can’t conduct business, we can have an informal discussion. It is not official but I have agreed until this time.*

~Point of Order: Blouin: You can also say one by one what you think during House Forum.

REMINDERS:

*Boris: The next house meeting is next Friday April 1st, 2011 here in the Senate Chambers at 3:30pm.*

FINAL ROLL CALL:

*Absent: Anastasi, Arsolino, Becker, Berichi, Ortiz, Phillips, Pollock, Robinson, Rudnick, Braisted, Cyrise, Gootenberg, and Maher

ADJOURNMENT:

*Motion to adjourn by Montes; seconded by Capata

7:00PM