Florida Atlantic University
Student Government
Broward House of Representatives
5th Legislative Session
Date: 5/25/11

Minutes

Call to Order: 4:42 PM

Roll Call:

Representative Davila – Absent, Representative Logan – Present, Representative Nowicki – Present, Representative Sardinas – Present, Pro Temp Schlissel – Present, Representative Sharrow – Present, Representative Trueblood – present, Representative Taher – Present, Speaker Newton – Present.

Open Forum:

Amal Kahllouki spoke about coffee not being offered during the summer. She would like it to be offered during the summer.

Rep. Trueblood spoke about the plaques for the Dean’s List and the President’s List being shown on the Boca Raton campus but not the Davie campus. She advocates that students should have to drive all the way up there to see their names, the plaques for those lists should be shown on the Davie campus as well.

Approvals:

Motion to approve agenda: Rep. Logan. Second by Rep. Sharrow

Motion to approve minutes of April 11th, 13th, 18th, 25th, 29th, and May 19th by Rep. Sharrow. Second by Sardinas.

New Business:

Broward Statues: David Bynes spoke about an misstep with the statute revisions; some of the revisions were not adopted into the new statues and there needs to be a meeting to go over the old statues and pinpoint which statues need to be revised. The meeting needs to also be with the governor and should take place ASAP.

Confirmed New representatives: Paula Dominguez was in-house elected with 6 yea’s and 0 no’s. Rosalee St. Lot was in-house elected with 6 yea’s and 0 no’s.
Unfinished Business:

BCHB 11-02: Funding the Pro Temp position.
Roll Call Vote: 8 yeas, 0 nays.

BCHR 11-02: Lessening the punishment for cannabis violation
Motion to deny the bill – Moved by Rep. Logan, Second By Rep Taher. 7 yeas, 1 nay-Rep Sharrow.

BCHB 11-04: New computers for Office of Students With Disabilities
Roll Call Vote: 8 yeas, 0 nays

BCHB 11-06: Broward Campus Budget
Motion to move until we get detailed information on the budget by Rep. Logan, second by Rep. Sharrow.
All the members received line item info on the upcoming budget.
Motion to approve the bill by Pro Temp Schlissel, second by Sharrow. 7 yeas, 1 nay-Rep Logan.

Governor’s Report:

Governor Pferdehirt reminded everyone that there will be a garden cleanup Friday at 9am and her GAC meeting at 12. Next Friday will be movie night, Gnomeo and Juliet, 7-10. Also, Board of Gov’s meeting will be sometime next week, she will let everyone know.

Associate Justice’s Report:
Paul Davidson; Not Present.

Senator’s Report:
Felipe Vargas; Not Present.

Program Reports (SAVI, Program Board, COSO, Graduate Council);
Not Present.

Student Government Advisor’s Report:

David Bynes congratulated the newly elected representatives. He reminded Alex and Matt to make a public notice poster detailing the meeting times for the summer and post it around campus. He thanked the house for being caught up on the minutes. He also made special note of Representative Taher for being involved and assisting at several events. July 27th will the be the leadership event, where David Bynes will be speaking.

Committee Chair Reports: (Campus Action, Rules, Budget Oversight);
Budget Oversight Chair Alex Newton: No Report.
Legislative Report:
Speaker Newton discussed sending our poster to the other campuses so they can come and visit. He also noted that we have 1 seat left and 2 interested applicants. He reminded everyone of the event at the downtown campus—a meet and greet, the paint your opinion on a T Shirt event at Seatech and the leadership event on the Davie campus.

Speaker of the House Appointments:
Rep. Taher has been appointed Budget Committee chair.

Reminders:

Open Forum
Everyone discussed which committees they want to join, start, or chair. There was a lot of deliberation about how to start that. David Bynes suggested that everyone who wants to start and Ad-hoc committee send in a formal statement to Alex.

Rep Nowicki discussed her plans for starting an eco-friendly gardening club—tentatively titled “SEEDS” for students for environmental enrichment and dedicated stability.

Final Roll Call:

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 6:40 PM.