**Student Government Association**

**Senate Meeting Minutes**

**10/20/2015**

1. **Meeting Called to Order:** 5:05 pm
2. **Attendance:**

**Present:** Esaul Helena, Mohammed Marey, , Cheyenne Jacobs, Katiria Rodriguez, Jacahri Smith, Roshelle Fondeur, Nashon Bolton, Crystal Clarke, Giovanna Motta, Aleena Crawford, Michael Nunes, Stefania Camacho Jimenez, Jackeline Reyes, Edwin Barrios, Nejesea Brown, Jacqueline Villanueva, Lucas Gonzales, Mark Palmero, Maylene Angeles, Christian Foti, Andrew Massefski, Tornike Mebagshivili, Mathew Mullins, Brianna Eggers, Alyssa Medina, Stephanie Baroutoglou, David Colon, Devyn Del Baso, Kevin Jacas, Jessica Super, Raheim Raymond, Kissary Evans, Khalid Shakur, Magdelin Pena, Cindy Nazario, Rachna Misra, Joshua Pinnock, Zachary Thomas, Amanda Silvestri (SAPB Rep), Krystina Byram (Greek Senate)

**Absent:** Shamara McCall (Sports Council Rep), Drew Dumsavage (Beacon)

1. **Approval of Agenda:**
2. Motion to approve agenda – 1st by Cheyenne Jacobs, 2nd by Stefania Camacho JImenez; Agenda approved unanimously. (36/0/0)
3. Esaul asked for the following changes to be made to the agenda: Mohammad Marey, Jacahri Smith, Cheyenne Jacobs, Barbara Frace (#lunchbag), Roshelle Fondeur, Greek Senate, SAPB, Board of Trustees, Katiria Rodriguez (Vice Chair), Esaul Helena.
4. All in favor to approve amended agenda; Approved 36/0/4
5. **Approval of Minutes:**
6. Changes to include Kevin Jacas who was not listed as being present during the October 13th Senate Meeting.
7. Motion to approve the minutes as amended. Motioned by Esaul Helena, 2nd by Khalid Shakur; Approved unanimously.
8. **Roshelle Fondeur, Vice President of Academic Affairs**
9. Surveys
10. Roshelle mentioned that the surveys for Academic Affairs are done and have been passed out. They are in the process of being filled out so that they’ll know the topics for the Open Forum which will be held on October 29th in Ballroom A during common hour.
11. Roshelle asked that the flyers that are attached to the back of the agenda be passed out.
12. Roshelle asked that if any member has not filled out a survey please see her.
13. **Mohammad Marey, Executive Vice President**
14. **New Memo**
15. Mohammad mentioned that a Club Council meeting was held on 10/19/15 and that he sent out a new memo the morning of 10/20/15. He mentioned that he referred people for suspension to the JRB.
16. Mohammad stated that they are progressing with the Leadership Academy. The majority have finished their student in action badge per Tristan and any discrepancies are being fixed on an individual basis.
17. Mohammed mentioned that Club Sports in the process of getting things situated for the Club Sports Appreciation. The committee is being formed to deal with that as Tristan as their advisor.
18. Mohammad stated that if anyone has questions to please see him.
* Jaime asked Mohammad to forward him a copy of the memo.
1. **Jacahri Smith, Vice President of Judicial Review Board**
2. **Amendment Proposals**
3. Jacahri mentioned that he was supposed to present the Amendments but incurred a minor setback. Therefore, he will present them at the next meeting.
4. He stated that once he is done drafting the proposals he will post them on Blackboard. During this time he asked that if anyone was not added to the page please sign the paper that was being sent around so that he could add them.
5. Jacahri mentioned that there are about thirteen (13) clubs on the suspension memo. He will be working with those clubs to get them back on track.
6. **Cheyenne Jacobs, Vice President of Student Life**
7. **Open Forum**
8. Cheyenne mentioned that the Open Forum will be held on 10/29 in Ballroom A. She sent out her surveys today as well. She stated that they (Cheyenne and Roshelle) decided to do paper surveys because their members are relatively new and they also wanted people to know who they are for future reference.
9. **Food Court**
10. Cheyenne stated that she emailed Tony C. last week. He informed her that he will schedule a meeting with her on either Thursday or Friday pending his schedule. She will be bringing some of her committee members with her to the meeting. During this meeting they will discuss the Food Court Late Night.
11. **Dorms**
12. Cheyenne mentioned that a great number of her members are first year students so they are able to see issues that are within the dorms. One of the issues being the laundry room not working properly weeks at a time. She also mentioned that if any member is having problems with the dorms please let her know so that she can speak with the personnel that handles those situations.
13. Cheyenne mentioned that next Thursday 10/29/15 @ 8:00pm or 9:00pm she will be working on drafting a proposal in the Senate office. She invited anyone that may want to attend to come to the meeting.
14. **Barbara Frace, Vice President of Public Relations**
15. Thanked everyone for participating in the Breast Cancer Awareness Walk.
16. Liberty State Park Clean Up will be held on 10/30/15. The bus will be leaving @ 9:00am and returning @ 2:00pm. There is space for 30 people can sign up for this event. Maribel will be the advisor for this trip.
17. Alaris Health Bingo Event will be held on 11/6/15 from 12:30pm- 4:00pm. There will be baskets made to be given as prizes to the Bingo winners. There is no limit on the amount of people that can attend.
18. **Greek Senate**
19. 11/17/15- Male Pageant being held. All proceeds
20. 11/3/15-
21. 10/29/15- IFC Campus Clean Up during common hour.
22. **SAPB**
23. Thanked everyone for coming out to the Fashion Show on Thursday.
24. 10/20/15 @ 8:00pm “Running on Depression” held in UC216.
25. **Board of Trustees**
26. Jessica updated the members on the increase of funding, the grants there were received and that the University has keeping its same ranking.
27. **Katiria Rodriguez, Vice President of Allocations**
28. Nejesea, Vice Chair mentioned that there were seven (7) events passed today. Also the Kinesiology Club is having a fitness challenge for the month of November. By participating in selected events a civic engagement badge can be earned (Community Service trip to Totowa).
29. **Esaul Helena, SGA President**
30. Esaul mentioned that the President sent an email thanking everyone for attending the dinner. She was pleased with the conversation that was held during the dinner.
31. Esaul also mentioned that mid-terms are being held. He asked that the members please remember that they are students first, and he doesn’t want to see anyone have to be taken off of the board because of the decrease in their gpa.
32. Lastly, Esaul mentioned that Student Development will be doing a walk through to actually see the decrease in lighting when walking to Quick Check. Esaul also mentioned that the land leading to Quick Check is private, therefore SGA cannot make a donation to provide lighting.
33. **Advisors**
34. Donna mentioned that the University lost a sorority because of allegations of hazing. She also mentioned that Christian Foti will become the President of Greek Senate due to the current President having to step down because she was a member of the sorority and you have to be a part of an organization that is in good standing.
35. Esaul expressed to the members to not let this occurrence deter anyone from joining a sorority or fraternity.
36. **Old Business**
37. Roshelle mentioned to the members to please complete the Task Sheets. Red Task Sheets are “Urgent” and the Green Task Sheets are “Weekly”.
38. Esaul mentioned that if anyone feels that work is not being distributed evenly amongst the Senators please see him and he’ll take care of it.
39. **New Business**
40. Esaul mentioned about the Sexual Assault Campaign having co-sponsors from thirteen (13) organizations. Event will be held on 11/24/15 in the MPR during common hour. He asked that members please attend and bring one or two friends. He stated that he will send out an email at least 2-3 weeks ahead of time.
41. Jacahri mentioned for Nicholas Garnett be appointed for Senator of JRB. Motioned by Jacahri Smith, 2nd by Stephanie Baroutoglou. Approved 38/0/1.
42. **Announcements**
43. Jacahri mentioned that the e-board doesn’t mind if members come in with snacks but a full meal is not acceptable. Also, he notice a few people being on their cell phone and he asked that they be mindful of that. Attention is needed so that you know what’s going on.
44. Esaul mentioned about the attention span. It is noticeable when voting is going on and the person does not know their number. He asked that members please take the meetings seriously.
45. David mentioned that 10/25/15 will be holding an event called *#lunchbag* in the student center. They will be packing lunch bags and handing them out to the homeless. Event will start at 10:00am.
46. Barbara mentioned that on Thursday, 10/22/15 in Ballrooms ABC there will be an event called Ballrooms of Fear from 8:00pm-10:00pm. Cost $3.00.
47. Cheyenne mentioned that on 10/26/15 there will be an open discussion event in 160AB from 8:30pm – 10:30pm called “Is This Love”.

**Adjournment- 5:53 pm**