



## Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University

### Student Government Association Legislative Branch - 47<sup>th</sup> Student Senate

2018 – 2019 Activities & Service Fee Budget Committee | Third Session Minutes

Saturday, February 17, 2018 | 10 AM - 5 PM

- **Call to Order at:**
  - Senator Rios called the meeting to order at 10:30 AM.
- **Roll Call/Verification of Quorum**
  - N'Maya Bryant - Present
  - Terrell Nelson – Absent
  - Yolanda Tervil – Present
  - Senator Dumas – Absent
  - Senator Hall – Absent
  - Senator Hansberry – Present
  - Senator Snipes – Absent
  - Senator Strong – Absent
  - Secretary Clarke – Absent
  - Vice Chair Antenor – Present
  - Pro -Temp Moricette – Absent
  - Chairman Rios – Present
- **Approval of Agenda/Minutes**
  - First and second session meeting minutes were not sent out by Secretary Clarke.
- **New Business**
  - **Student Health Care Management Association (10:30 AM – 10:50 AM)**
    - Marisa Lewis (Advisor), Brian Patterson (Vice President), Adelle (), Jonathan Sanchos (President) were in attendance to represent the organization. The organization gave a synopsis of the purpose behind requesting for funds: attending an educational trip to LSU Hospital (which absorbed the local Charity Hospital) and to the historical Whitley Plantation. The committee recommended for the organization to apply for funding through the Special Allocation Process in the Fall of 2018 for the upcoming fiscal year.
  - **FAMU Essential Theatre (11:00 AM - 11:15 AM)**
    - Luther Wells (Director) was in attendance to represent the organization. The organization passed out pamphlets of the past theatre season and gave a synopsis of the purpose behind requesting for funds: African American Theater.
  - **Honor Student Association (NO SHOW)**
    - Senator Hansberry suggested for Vice Chairwoman Antenor to reschedule with the organization after all organizations have been scheduled.
  - **Joint Operations (11:15 PM)**
    - Bryan Smith (SGA Director), Mary Brown Ellis (Full-Time Professional

Staff), Ria Floyd (OPS Website & Content Manager), and Toran Davis (OPS Staff Funding) was in attendance to represent the organization. Bryan Smith increased the amount for Student Legal Services (under the Event 1 under Activities & Programs) from \$7,000 to \$30,000. The organization gave a synopsis of the purpose behind requesting for funds: the benefits of providing free legal services for FAMU students, and necessary expenses of Joint Operations.

○ **Homecoming (11:45 PM)**

- Bryan Smith (SGA Director), Mary Brown Ellis (Full-Time Professional Staff), Ria Floyd (OPS Website & Content Manager), and Toran Davis (OPS Staff Funding) was in attendance to represent the organization. The organization gave a synopsis of the purpose behind requesting for funds line item by line item and gave advise for the upcoming Homecoming Steering Committee. For *Artists Expenditures*, Smith recommended alleviating the middle person (promoter) between SGA and the artists to decrease the overall cost. Senator Hansberry mentioned adding language to the governing SGA documents regarding adult involvement in handling serious Homecoming matters (such as confirming artists) to ensure that SGA would receive favorable pricing. For *Housing Stepshow*, Smith mentioned that funds were not allocated for the past year and Pro-Tempore Moricette “made a miracle [with executing the Housing Stepshow due to the lack of funding]”. For *Rip the Runway (Fashion Show)*, Smith mentioned it being the least organized event during the Homecoming Week. He suggested that the Senate Body should fund it to ensure that they would have more say in certifying that it is ran efficiently. For *Block Party/Pep Rally*, Smith suggested that the Homecoming Committee seek sponsorship to alleviate the cost from the budget and used Pantene’s *My Black Is Beautiful* campaign as an example (as they reached out to us and offered sponsorship). Smith made several other suggestions: surveys should go out to the Student Body around March, the committee should be in the process of securing an artist between the months of March and June, consider the Homecoming Concert for a Saturday instead of a Wednesday (Chairman Rios mentioned another essential perspective: several college parties—with large turnouts—happen on the weekend, so that would decrease the target population). Smith concluded by saying that the amount requested is a lot, however more is definitely needed than the amount appropriated last year, and SGA needs to ensure there are funds readily available in case Homecoming does not receive adequate sponsorships.

○ **FAMU Royal Court (12:15 PM)**

- Andre Green (Advisor) was in attendance to represent the organization. The organization gave a synopsis of the purpose behind requesting for funds: necessary expenses of the Royal Court.
  - **Judicial Branch (12:30 PM)**
    - Audri Salter & Darryl Williams were in attendance to represent the organization. Senator Hansberry suggested for the organization to request the OPS line items from the 2014-2015 annual budget for this year's annual budget application.
  - **African Student Association (1:30 PM)**
    - Adaolisa Okafur and Iyosayi Urhoghide were in attendance to represent the organization. The organization gave a synopsis of the purpose behind requesting for funds: general club expenses. The committee recommended for the organization to apply for funding through the Special Allocation Process in the Fall of 2018 for the upcoming fiscal year.
  - **UNIDOS (1:45 PM)**
    - John Horton were in attendance to represent the organization. The organization gave a synopsis of the purpose behind requesting for funds: general club expenses. The committee recommended for the organization to apply for funding through the Special Allocation Process in the Fall of 2018 for the upcoming fiscal year.
- **Final Roll Call**
  - N'Maya Bryant - Present
  - Terrell Nelson – Absent
  - Yolanda Tervil – Present
  - Senator Dumas – Absent
  - Senator Hall – Absent
  - Senator Hansberry – Present
  - Senator Snipes – Absent
  - Senator Strong – Absent
  - Secretary Clarke – Absent
  - Vice Chair Antenor – Present
  - Pro -Temp Moricette – Absent
  - Chairman Rios – Present
- **Adjournment:**
  - Chairman Rios adjourned the session at 2:00 PM.

Important **SIDE BARS** mentioned offline to note:

**Homecoming (11:45 PM)**

- Committee Member Tervil suggested a Friday for the Homecoming Concert.