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2019-2020 Activity and Service Fee Annual Budget and Special Allocation

At the end of the semester, the 48th Student Senate passed legislation that created a more efficient and effective budget process. This legislation also established a funding cap for Special Allocation Requests, this cap is set at \$10,000 for each request. This is to make this process fairer for our student organizations and to improve our fiscal responsibility as student leaders.

Executive Branch Cabinet and Student Appointments

2019-2020 Student Leadership is as followed:

Natalie Antenor | Student Body Vice-President

Christopher Miller | 49th Student Senate President

Corrie Watt | 49th Student Senate Pro-Tempore

Melissa Lavoile | Appointed Chief Justice

The Executive Branch Cabinet positions were advertised throughout March and there was a lot of interest this year with over 70 applicants and inquiries. The Cabinet was announced early May and we are working with each department to create plan of actions that will guide them throughout the year and prepare them for confirmations. The 49th Student Senate wants to confirm these appointments as soon as possible, starting with the Electoral Commission at the first Senate Meeting.

I will appoint the 28 student positions on the various university committees as well as re-establish the university liaisons program. Each college and school will have a group of students, depending on their respective sizes. The liaisons will convene bi-weekly or monthly discuss how SGA can better impact their respective college and schools. This is a promising endeavor that we are really excited about.

Student Body Documents Project

The appointed-Attorney General spearheaded an initiative to update and properly format all of our governing documents for the upcoming academic year. These documents included: The Student Body Constitution, Student Body Statutes, Election Codes and Finance Codes.

National Association of Student Affairs Professionals

FAMU Student Government Association, participated in the 2019 Student Leadership Institute from May 28, 2019-June 3, 2019. The Student Leadership Institute (SLI) is an intensive, interactive, and stimulating learning program. It is a six-day program designed for newly elected HBCU student leaders (Student Government Associations, Class Officers, Greek Councils, Student Ambassadors, Programming Boards) who are committed to uplifting their organizations and their university. This institute was hosted on the campus of Savannah State University in Savannah, Georgia.

We were able to bring members of the Royal Court, Presidential Ambassadors, and Campus Activities Board to this conference. All attendees benefited greatly from the various educational sessions as well as the networking opportunities provided at the SLI. We will bring the information what we acquired from the conference to our respective areas and help develop capable student leaders who will continue to make an impact on the student body.

Campus SAFE Team

During the latter half of the semester, there were some off campus criminal acts in the nearby community. This affected our students, and many were not comfortable to walk the campus in the evening hours. One of the Administration's platform points was to establish a Campus SAFE Team, whose purpose was to accompany students as they navigate campus after hours. The hours of operation will be 10:00pm to 1:00am and the safe team will provide escort services for student going to various locations on campus. They will work in conjunction with the FAMU Police Department and have a direct line of communication with the department.

Student Homecoming Steering Committee

The administration wanted to increase the student voice in Homecoming decisions, thus the Homecoming Steering Committee was created. My Vice President is the Chair of this committee and it is made entirely of students who will be student leads who will work with a Joint Operation Staff lead to bring student input to the major Homecoming week events.

Crab Boil

Student Government hosts a summer crab boil for our summer semester students on campus. This event typically caters to over 300-500 attendees including university officials. We are currently working on this endeavor to ensure that it is bigger and better than ever. Of course, you all are invited, I believe the date is set for July 19, 2019 in FAMU Park.

Legal Services Project

The Student Senate allocated funds to support Student Government's Legal Services project for the upcoming academic year. To my knowledge this office will be located within the old Career Center and will provide free legal counsel to our students. Student Legal Services will provide the following: a limited selection of legal

services, and seminars on common contractual agreements (i.e landlord tenant). Please advise that the attorney's that will be involved have not been determined at this time.

General Outlook

Some of the things that we look forward to implementing this year are:

- This administration will play a big role in developing the Legislative Agenda for the Florida Student Association this academic year through my position as the External Vice Chair of the FSA.
- This administration will implement an online Initiative Tracker or Platform Points Tracker. The summer will be used to prepare for the Fall semester and the execution of our platform points. We have already accomplished some of them and we hope to finish our term with 100% completion.
- We will work with FAMU Parking Services to hold workshops throughout the year to address parking concerns and tickets. We will also try to promote the temporary adjustments to parking due to construction.
- Inauguration is set for the weekend of September 13, 2019 and is in the planning stages. Should anything change with the dates, you all will be notified. I really hope some of you will be able to attend.
- Florida Classic

Revisions during the Summer Sessions

The 49th Student Senate Session will be starting the year of with a total of 22 senators. This summer we are doing slight renovations to the legislative workroom such as fixing the computers and chairs and ensuring that it is conducive of an efficient work environment.

Student Bank Accounts

Additionally, the Senate is moving towards encouraging student organizations to getting banking accounts. These bank accounts will be used to simplify the process of allocating money to qualifying entities on campus.

Transparency

The goals as a student leader on the campus of Florida A&M University is to provide ultimate transparency. This will continue to be done through Senate on Run Mobile Leadership, Strike Out Showcases and programming within Student Government Association.