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**General Business Agenda**  
Wednesday, November 20th, 2013  
6:00 PM

- I. Attendance
  - a. List Guests
  - b. Announce Absences
- II. Additions/Deletions to Agenda
- III. Additions/Deletions to Minutes
  - Minutes from Trial Sen. Evan Brown v. ERC 11/13/2013
  - Minutes from General Meeting 11/06/2013
  - Minutes from Special Meeting 10/28/2013
- IV. Open Forum
- V. Judicial Reports
- VI. SGATO Report
- VII. New Business
  - a. Trip to UNF
  - b. Departing time
  - c. Attire for trip
  - d. Individuals meeting with us:
    - i. Duval County Courthouse :
      - Hon. Michelle Kalil
      - Attorney Madeline Pittman
    - ii. UNF: Chief Justice Goetz
    - iii. FL Coastal Law School
      - Megan Sache
      - Director, Moot Court Team, Mock Trial Team, SBA
- VIII. Announcements
- IX. Adjournment

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Bryan Buenaventura (BB): I call this meeting to order on November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2013. The time is 6 o'clock pm. Present is myself Bryan Buenaventura, Daniel Shapiro (DS), Sammy Hamed (SH), Michael Kalmowicz (MK), via telephone conference Corey McCance (CM). We have Katherine Burkhard (KB) from SGATO. As guests we have Senator Evan Brown (EB) and Senator Abdool Aziz (AA). And we also have our clerk Brandon Telchi. Are there any additions/deletions to the agenda? Seeing none, is there a motion to approve the agenda?

DS: so moved

BB: are there any objections? Seeing none, the agenda is now approved. Now move on to additions/deletions to minutes. Are there-Brandon has sent out the minutes from the trial, the general meeting from November 6<sup>th</sup>, and the special meeting that we had on October 28<sup>th</sup>. He sent them out so is there a motion to approve these minutes by acclimation?

MK: so moved

BB: are there any objections? Seeing none, these minutes are now approved. Is there a motion to move into open forum?

SH: so moved

BB: any objections? Seeing none, we are now in open forum. Does anyone have anything to say? Seeing none, is there a motion to move into judicial reports?

MK: so moved

BB: are there any objections? Seeing none, we are now in judicial reports. I'll start with myself: I wasn't able to make it to the last ethics and integrity council meeting, but Cocco did present a report for me in regards to honor court, and they're looking to see what kind of information we come back from UNF, and we'll pretty much just bring back notes-good information-so that we can push for the honor court idea. And I've spoken with St. Pete, they're going to be driving two cars; one will be meeting us around the same time we get there, and the other car will be meeting us around 2 o'clock. That's all I have to report for now. So justice Shapiro?

DS: first off, thank you Brandon for getting those minutes out so quickly.

BB: yes.

DS: and then my past week has been eaten up by all of this trial stuff. That's about it.

BB: okay. Justice Hamed?

SH: sure, so last Wednesday we had our first trial in two years, and it was a good experience. Thursday I went to the international festival with some other members of student government and talked to some students about parking appeals. Shortly after that the president of SJP came in and just had some clarifying questions about our decision; and I was more than happy to answer them for him. And then the next day a public records request was filed, so we're sitting on that for a while. And also, coincidentally, there was a formal appeal to Dean Freeman about our decision, so we're sitting on that as well; so this week I've been working with Shapiro and our chief on getting the-our rebuttal ready for Dean Freeman and all relevant evidence turned in to him, and we got it turned into him so...

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BB: okay, good. Let the record reflect that Adam Aldrich (AA2) at 6:03pm. Mr. Kalmowicz do you have anything to report?

MK: I was going to say that it was an honor to serve on the court with you guys on the first trial in two years. That was a great experience I'll always remember carrying on (inaudible) and I also look forward to this upcoming trip with you guys, and I hope to learn a lot from our-from meeting with UNF and other judges and justices we'll be meeting in Jacksonville. End report.

BB: okay, Corey, do you have anything to report?

CM: yeah, I want to say that it's been very interesting seeing how you guys handled (inaudible) first trial we've had in our time. I also want to add that I did some extra judicial outreach this week (inaudible) and spoke to them about a project they're putting together. They're running a campaign called Come out of the Dark, which is for students with depression. (inaudible) I'm on my way now to Jacksonville which is why I'm doing the conference call with you guys. I'm very excited about setting everything up (inaudible).

BB: okay good. Looking forward to the trip this weekend. So moving on... is there a motion to close judicial reports and move into SGATO report?

DS: so moved

KB: okay, today is the deadline for the student government conference at Texas A&M in February and I guess I just want to say safe travels the next couple of days you guys. I'll be thinking about you while you're travelling and have a happy Thanksgiving.

BB: thank you, you too. Is there a motion to move out of SGATO report and into new business?

SH: so moved

BB: are there any objections? Seeing none, we are now in new business. And we'll be talking more about our trip to UNF. So we will be going to UNF. Tomorrow we'll be meeting with a judge. We'll be sitting in on a trial. The second day we'll be meeting with Florida Coastal Law School and then going to UNF. So departing time: I want to leave here 8 o'clock sharp, so if you guys can be outside the Marshal Center parking garage so we can leave and get on the road; it takes us three hours. I want to get to Jacksonville around 12, and so those that are riding-which is pretty much everyone, all the justices here-

SH: so are we meeting upstairs or downstairs?

BB: downstairs.

SH: cool.

BB: everyone park where they need to park and then they put the bags in the van and then we can just leave. Attire for trip: business. Business attire because we will be meeting with judges, law school personnel, and UNF, and we want to make sure we have a good image that we portray for USF. And the people that we're meeting with: we're going to go to the Duval county courthouse, and apparently this is the judge that we're going to meet; so what I would say is read up as much as you can and maybe just read this so that we can ask her some questions. She is going to preside over a trial and then after that she's going to give us a tour of the courthouse so you know, it'd be good to come up with some decent

questions to ask her afterwards. And then we'll also be meeting with the attorney... Corey can you hear me?

CM: we're actually meeting with the attorney before we meet the judge; she's going to be taking us over to introduce us to the judge and she spoke with Justice (inaudible) she told me that (inaudible) not necessarily hard hitting questions but questions that show that we are interested not just in the judicial process but in her and become judges ourselves and so on and so forth, just to make sure that we show that we did our due research before showing up. (inaudible).

BB: okay, will do. And then did you want to say anything about the attorney? That we're going to meet. Madeline Pipman.

CM: Ms. Pipman works for our family-our family attorney. (inaudible). She did most of the leg-work as far as setting up the judge meeting and Florida Coastal School of Law meeting as well. And the lady that we're meeting at Florida Coastal is (inaudible). Her and Ms. Pipman graduated in the same class; they went through all of their undergrad and law school together, so they really did a lot of work for us, so we want to make sure that we thank them for that, and that we show our appreciation.

BB: okay, looks like we covered everything under new business as far as the people that we're going to meet; the only person left is Chief Justice (inaudible) from UNF, and that's something that we're going to talk with them whenever we eat with him. We'll sit down and talk about how his judicial branch works and how we can establish some of the things that they do, in our branch. So if there's nothing further, is there any motion to close new business and move on to announcements?

DS: so moved.

BB: are there any objections? Seeing none, we are now in announcements. Does anyone have anything to announce?

SH: oh, we had our first org outreach event last Thursday I believe. HOSA had one of their meetings at I think 5:30. And it was me and Shapiro, Adam Aldrich, Senator Cocco, Hausman went with us and we just talked about the three branches. Brown went with us and talked about his memorial committee that we're excited to get moving on, so that was cool. And yeah...

BB: okay, are there any other announcements? Seeing none, is there a motion to close announcements and move into adjournment?

SH: so moved

BB: are there any objections? Seeing none, this meeting is now adjourned at 6:11pm.