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University of South Florida
Student Government Fifty-Fifth Student Senate

Committee on University, Community, & Government Affairs
September 3, 2014

Call to Order by Chairman Hartmann at 10:06 A.M.

First Roll Call

Present: Ahmed, Ahmed (late), Dincer, Fontaine, Gibson, Sanchez, Veloz, Vanek, Lee, Rodriguez, Hartmann

Absent: Aziz (excused)

Hartmann: My name is Brandon and this is UCGA. We call this meeting to order at 10:06 A.M. on September 3rd, Wednesday, 2014. First thing on the agenda is call to order, which we just did, and roll call. So let's just go through names. Senator Ahmed?

Ahmed: Here.

Hartmann: Okay, present. Senator, the other Ahmed is not here yet. We'll excuse him because it's the first day. Senator Dincer?

Dincer: Here.

Hartmann: Senator Fontaine?

Fontaine: Here.

Hartmann: Senator Gibson?

Gibson: Here.

Hartmann: Senator Sanchez?

Sanchez: Here.

Hartmann: Senator Veloz?

Veloz: Here.

Hartmann: Senator Vanek?

Vanek: Here.

Hartmann: Senator - Pro Tempore Aziz is excused. And then myself, Chairman Hartmann, I am present. And then also in the gallery we have Evan Lieb from SGATO, and the Senate President Senator Rodriguez. Thank you guys for joining. So with that we do meet quorum. All right, next up on the agenda we have additions, deletions, and/or clarifications to the orders of the day.

Additions/Deletions and/or Clarifications to the Orders of the Day:

Hartmann: Are there any changes anyone would like to make, or is there a motion to approve the agenda?

Dincer: Motion to approve the agenda.

Hartmann: Okay, any objections to that motion? All right, seeing none. The agenda is approved. And just for the- like for the standard I guess for now on. A lot of people they confuse motion with move, and "I move" is more proper I guess so. It doesn't matter but that's just what a lot of people prefer. Exactly, you learn something new everyday. All right, next up are additions. Additions are changes to the minutes. No minutes were sent out, is there a motion to postpone the minutes?

Gibson: I move to postpone the minutes.

Hartmann: Any objections to that? All right, seeing none. They are postponed.

Open Forum

Hartmann: Open forum, any announcements or things people would like to say? Senator President Andy Rodriguez?

Rodriguez: Senate Retreat is 10:00 A.M. on Sunday, don't forget.

Hartmann: Be there, it's a lot of fun. Anything else? We'll move on to new business.

New Business

1. Icebreakers and Introductions

Hartmann: So we're going to have icebreakers- an icebreaker and some introductions. I want to start with the introductions and then move on to our little icebreaker but just for the secretary, for the scribe. You know to save her fingers like I think we should go off the minutes so does anybody- would anybody like to make a motion to enter an un-moderated caucus of fifteen minutes or so?

Gibson: I move to enter in an un-moderated caucus of fifteen minutes.

Hartmann: Any objections? All right, seeing none, we are going off the record at 11:09. We're back on the record at 10:40 A.M. Senator Mahmoud walked in at 10:25. And just to finish the rest of the agenda. The committee overview we had the Prezi at the start of this meeting in the spring semester. If you haven't seen it yet, you can talk to me afterwards but for the most part what this committee does is pretty self-explanatory so that's what the committee overview is. Future plans, tent days of course we hope to do one every other week so twice a month. I also have a sheet that's going around where you basically rank where your self-interests and I try and match you with that area based on your ranking. If you have something else that's not on there, there are blank spots where you can fill it in and rank to it. So after you're done with it, feel free to pass it

around to the people who haven't been on it yet and there's also a separate table for nominations if you'd like to nominate yourself or somebody else in the committee for Vice Chairs.

2. Tent Days

Dincer: Really quickly, what do tent days entail?

Hartmann: So tent days usually we go out to reach out to the student body to survey them you know about certain things. So one thing we'll probably have coming up is about sustainability and green initiatives and in the past we've done surveys about general things like what you want to see changed, so you know a lot of parking and dining. And then also tent days about any other topics like the town hall thing for us.

Dincer: Right, when will they be, though?

Hartmann: We'll probably have our first one the third week, so not next week but the week after. So that we can start passing-

Gibson: On Wednesdays at Bull Market?

Hartmann: So instead of committee, we'll have a tent day. Does that make sense?

Dincer: Got it. Just for an hour?

Hartmann: If you can stay longer, you get positive points if you stay longer. If you have class, you're automatically excused. What's up?

Fontaine: Can you explain to me what the "War on I-4" is?

Hartmann: War on I-4 is like a competition that we want to establish between UCF where there's like a blood drive or canned food drive or something like that. And it's just in the talks but we want to plan it. He had a suggestion maybe around the football game we can have an extra competition around that, who donates the most blood or raises the most canned food. All right so future plans like I said, tent days every other week. To go with those logistics, I actually have a Google drive. We have a P drive as senate chairman but you guys don't have access to it unfortunately so the Google drive is kind of similar to that and I'll be updating that over the next couple days but it kind of contains everything in there. So the fall schedule if you ever need like reference that and also committee documents so like if you are in charge of the tent day it's like a checklist for example possible topics that we can do for tent days so it's basically a lot of useful things that you can find in there. SOPs and such, and then also um statistics and flyers from previous tent days if you want to like get some inspiration. So at all of your "@mail.usf" emails today you'll probably get an email notification that you've been added. Okay. And next up is shift sign ups, we'll do that next week just to see like if you already know that you have class at this time on a regular basis, you can volunteer during these times for tent days. We just want to get that out of the way, and as for survey brainstorming we'll do that next week as well where we just basically survey or brainstorm potential tent day topics and surveys for the future. Okay. I don't think I've missed anything. So yeah, usually if you have any questions you can find it in this drive, but always feel free to email me. My phone number is in the email as well in case you need to text me on a quicker basis and I think that's it. Okay.

Announcements

Hartmann: All right, moving onto announcements, are there any announcements anybody would like to make? Upcoming events?

Gibson: I have announcement, senate retreat is Sunday be there at 10 A.M. for a ropes course.

Hartmann: All right, any other announcements?

Dincer: Riverfront Park, right?

Gibson: Riverfront Park.

Hartmann: And for those of you who didn't get the snacks yet and if you want some feel free to stay after. I can go to my office. All right, seeing none. Is there a motion to adjourn?

Gibson: I move to adjourn.

Hartmann: All right, any objections? All right, we are adjourned at 10:44 A.M. Thanks guys.

Meeting adjourned at 10:44 AM.

Transcribed by Senate Committee Secretary, Allison Summers.