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Committee on JEC
September 8, 2014

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

First Roll Call

Present: Seitz, Truong, Guerra, Myers, Serikyaku, Aziz (late)

Absent: Madden, Richman, Vanek

Seitz: I call the meeting of Judiciary and Ethics Committee to order. My name is Emily Seitz and I'll be chairing the meeting. It is 3:05 P.M. It is September 8. Um we're going to start with roll call. Chairwoman Kristen Truong?

Truong: Present.

Seitz: Elizabeth Guerra?

Guerra: Present.

Seitz: Uh Kevin Madden is not here. Taylor Myers?

Myers: Here.

Seitz: um Ryan Richman is also not here. I, Emily Seitz am here. Amu?

Serikyaku: Here.

Seitz: Jessica is not here, and Pro Tempore Abdool Aziz is excused. Um that means quorum has been met um and then we're going to start introducing the guests so if you guys could just say your name and-.

Jeune: Hello my name is Judelande Jeune and I am the Assistant Director of University Affairs.

Redford: Jeremy Redford, Director of Community Affairs.

Lewis: Jessica Lewis, Assistant Director of Music at Bulls Radio.

Acosta: Jessica Acosta, Assistant Director of Programming at Bulls Radio.

Lee: Evan Lee, SGATO.

Unknown: Joseph Hernandez Finance Director at Bulls Radio.

Griffin: Christopher Griffin, Coordinator of University Affairs.

Huntley: Cody Huntley, Coordinator for Community Affairs.

Slack: Laura Slack, Assistant Director of Programming.

Plina: Jacqueline Colina, Assistant Director of Marketing.

Berkowitz: Greg Berkowitz, Chief of Staff.

Hartmann: Brandon Hartmann, Chairman of University, Community, and Government Affairs.

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

Seitz: Okay so um are there any motions to accept or make additions to the agenda? Senator Myers?

Myers: I motion to approve the agenda as-is.

Seitz: Are there any objections? Senator Hartmann?

Truong: I have a friendly amendment to your motion. To move Marketing Coordinator Mateo Hernandez appointee confirmation to after community affairs coordinator Cody Huntley.

Myers: I accept friendly amendment.

Seitz: So we want Mateo at the end? (Inaudible) I'm just lost right now. All right, are there any objections? Okay so the agenda is as-is. Um there are no minutes so are there any motions to postpone the minutes?

Serikyaku: Motion to postpone the minutes.

Seitz: Are there any objections? Okay so the minutes have been postponed.

Open Forum

Seitz: Um now we're moving on to open forum, does anyone have anything? Senator Truong?

Truong: Okay so um if the chair doesn't call your name when to like speaking, making sure you state your name before you speak so the transcriber knows who is talking. That's all, and oh welcome to JEC guys.

Seitz: This is also my first time chairing meetings so bear with me on this one. All right well if that is it for open forum, we're going to move on to new business.

New Business

1. Confirmations

Seitz: Um so for confirmations you guys will each have five minutes to present, uh then there's a question and answer period where um all the remaining candidates have to leave the room. And then we'll motion to discuss and you'll leave the room and we'll let you know. We'll have you come back in. Um –

Lieb: We have discussion on the candidates; all of the appointees leave the room correct?

Seitz: Yeah! So all of the candidates for any position.

Unknown: Um just a quick note um Boards Directors, actually Josh is actually not here and our Music Director is not listed on there.

Berkowitz: Part of the email I sent said you can switch boards out for programming if you want to (inaudible) exactly, so.

Truong: Okay so if we change that it has to be like a two thirds majority in the committee, the thing is I didn't send out the binder for it.

Seitz: So, if we approve it we can do it right?

Berkowitz: Yes, except well then the binder not (inaudible).

Seitz: So we just need a motion to

Berkowitz: (inaudible) Essentially the presentation (inaudible).

Seitz: Okay. So are there any motions to

Truong: Could you repeat like what you're going to change again, please? Sorry.

Seitz: The Bulls Radio Assistant Director of Sports, Josh, and just change it to the Assistant Director of Music and Jessica Lewis for Bulls Radio is the same exact thing, after sports. Okay since we already approved the agenda, what we're going to do is the two-thirds vote (inaudible). So that's just- Senator Truong?

Truong: Um I motion to remove Bulls Radio Assistant Director of Sports, Josh appointee and to put Bulls Radio Assistant Director of Music, Jessica Lewis.

Seitz: Are there any objections? Okay so um we're going to remove Bulls Radio Assistant Director of Sports and um replace it with Bulls Radio Assistant Director of Music. So moving on to confirmations, is everything okay now? Are we good?

Truong: You might want to give the confirmation process presentation real quick.

Truong: Okay so this is the what is confirmation, I apologize for my voice so just kind of go with me right now. Uh so this is kind of like your guide to what confirmations for- so for those of you who haven't been in JEC before or anyone who is going today, you'll kind of see how it works. Confirmations are when the Executive or the judicial branch appoints people to positions; they have to go through JEC. So it's like a check and balance between the branches. Okay so Director positions have to go through JEC and they have to go through senate, the Assistant Director or Coordinator positions, they only have to go through JEC. And then Supreme Court Justices, they have to get approved by JEC. So if JEC fails a Supreme Court Justice then they can't go for that position again for that semester but then they can go to senate but then they have to be approve both by JEC and senate to get the position if they fail either one, they're done. So how the confirmation process works is each candidate has five minutes to present, when there's one minute left there will be one tap of the gavel. When there's thirty second left, there will be two taps of the gavel and then you'll be gaveled out and have ten seconds to wrap up. And then after that, we'll motion to have a question and

answer period where you ask questions I have printed out like general questions for confirmations for you guys so then if you don't really know what quite to ask you can just ask these questions. There's also questions that are not allowed by law, so nothing about like their age or nationality or all of that stuff. I think that's irrelevant to their actual job position. After that we'll motion for a discussion period in which everybody except for JEC members will stay and then if you want to bring the candidate in for second questioning, if you just want to clarify something you can and then we'll vote. And then the candidate either passes or fails. That's pretty much questions but you have your sample questions listed, and for the record Abdool Aziz walked in at 3:15. Are there any questions from the committee about how the confirmation process works? Any? No? Okay. Then I will give it back to the chair.

Seitz: All right we are going to start with Bulls Radio Assistant director of programming, Jessica Acosta. Also for committee members you all use Ipads so on them it has a job description and the, it's what I sent you in the email so it should all be there.

Berkowitz: Just so you all know for this position there were 33 applicants and we interviewed 3, um Joe do you want to say something about Jessica?

Joe: Jessica worked for the Director as a volunteer, it showed she was dedicated to the Bulls Radio (inaudible), she showed that she could complete tasks on time and she really showed she had a vision for Bulls Radio program and through her last year she's going to do that and she was the best candidate.

Acosta: All right, so my name is Jessica Acosta and I am going for the Assistant Director of Programming for Bulls Radio. So just a little bit about myself, I am a senior at USF. I am studying Health Science and I am minoring in Physics um I am a native Texan; I was born and raised in Dallas, Texas. Go Cowboys! And I actually moved to Miami when I was 7 and so I've lived there up until I came to college in uh- a few years ago when I started here. My future goals are to attend- I want to go to graduate school and get my masters degree and then I want to go to medical school, hopefully specialize in emergency medicine or something like that. I'm enrolled in 13 credit hours, so I have a pretty light load so I can um put a lot of my time into Bulls Radio and just a fun fact I'm a former USF Diamond Doll. If you don't know what that is, it's like the Sun dolls for the baseball team, you should go out to the baseball games they're fun. Okay so like Joseph said, I have been a Bulls Radio volunteer since my freshman year here. Uh that's actually at my very first Bulls Radio tailgate, which was four years ago. I've hosted three different radio shows with three different genres. So I've done sports, I've done just a regular music show where I just go on and play music, and I've also done talk which is the show I'm doing now. It's on Wednesday nights at 10 P.M. with my cohost Jacqueline who is the Media Director at Bulls Radio. During my time at Bulls Radio I have trained- as a volunteer I have helped to train other people who come in to do their shows. I've trained them in using things such as Audacity and Garage Band, which are production programs for things like this and I've also helped in all the other departments. I've helped in the Business Department setting up things for tailgates and helping with DJ requests which is one of our big things at Bulls Radio. I've also helped with media and promotional items and I have helped in the Music Department to help setup new playlists and we do want to get a second and third stream going so I've helped with that. So I've been employed for a few weeks now and while I've been there I've set up the new WUSF equipment with the new WUSF engineers. So in case you guys don't know, Bulls Radio switched over from our old host which is WMNF and now we are partnered with WUSF which is great because they're here on campus and so literally if we need anything we can just walk across the way and they'll be right there. So they did have a few new things they came to set up in our studio so I did help with that. I also went back and listened to a lot of last years programming and I went through and I took notes about what kind of

things we need to change and where we could diversify our programming. I also started bringing back our veteran shows and so what that means is our most popular shows from last year are currently on the air right now. We have um sports talk, we have uh just regular talk, we have the music shows, and we have pirate radio, which is a hip-hop show, which is one of our most popular shows because we were on a hiatus during the summer. There were no shows playing. I've also begun to conduct training sessions with new interested volunteers, so on Friday we already had our first interest meeting and I'm already setting up training with them so they can come in learn the board, and the production aspect of it and get their shows started as early as October because the training process takes a few weeks. Um just so you guys have an idea of what our schedule looks like, this is our current schedule for this week. We are adding about four more shows uh Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. At any given time you guys can log on to BullsRadio.org to see what's playing and we have Christian shows, we have sport shows, fashion, we have uh celebrity gossip, um we do- we are getting a medical science show this semester so at any given time you can go online and see our schedule. So what I want to do different this year is I want to be more approachable to the volunteers. I feel like in previous years um show hosts felt they couldn't um come up and ask the Director for something and so they'd ask the programming director. So I want to be more approachable to them. I also want to bring in more show variety, we had a lot of sports programming last year which granted is the most popular but I also wanted um- I want to bring in a more diverse audience to Bulls Radio. I want to widen our reach. I also want to increase numbers of listeners and I want to help develop one of the new Bulls Radio apps, which is one of the things we're going to work on this year.

Seitz: Okay, do we have any motions to go into discussion? Do we have any motions for the question and answer period? Senator Truong?

Truong: I motion to enter the answer and question period with a time limit of 5 minutes.

Seitz: Are there any objections? Okay we will now move into a question and answer period with a time limit of 5 minutes. Since you made the motion, Chairman Truong, you can start.

Truong: All the other appointees, can you please leave the room?

Seitz: Okay you may begin.

Truong: What challenges do you foresee with this position and how do you plan on overcoming them?

Acosta: Um I think one of the biggest challenges is coordinating time and I notice this now- coordinating time in my schedule to suit incoming interested show hosts. Because not everybody can meet at the same time and not everybody's schedules can coordinate with mine. So I think the challenge would be to find the time in my schedule or maybe to find one of the other directors that can help me so we can get the training process going a little bit quicker and get new programs on the air.

Myers: Um so you want to increase the reach and the number of the listeners? What are some ways I guess with your coworkers for best ways if you had the position to increase that following?

Acosta: Well we do want to um like I said increase the variety of shows. So last year we had a lot of the same type of show, I do want to bring in more music shows. Um I've also been in contact with members of Panhellenic Greek Life because I would love to bring in Greek life show with sorority members and fraternity members. Um and I've also been talking to Rhondell and Jean about possibly bringing in their own show, we don't have to do it every week but maybe every couple of weeks where they just get on the air and they can

just talk to the students and tell them about what's going on and what challenges kind of SG is going through and how they can get involved in SG. So I do want to reach out to different agencies and different organizations around campus.

Seitz: Senator Guerra?

Guerra: Can you think of a time when your ethics were challenged?

Acosta: Uh yes well actually, not necessarily this year but um over the summer we did- we had shows on a hiatus so we weren't letting any new shows come in. So one of our shows is actually a Christian rock show and the DJ for the show wanted to bring the show back immediately and I told him we weren't having any shows over the air. And I don't know he was either offended or he thought that I just didn't want to have the show on because of what he talked about on his show, which is totally not the case so I just sat down with him and I explained to him. I said look it's not a personal thing, it's just literally we have no streaming right now because we were switching over from WMNF to WUSF and so I just kind of wrote him a nice email and I explained to him. I said I don't have anything against your show idea, I just- there's no shows coming out right now. So he's actually coming on the air on Thursday so I'm excited about that.

Seitz: Senator Hartmann? I'm just calling on you.

Hartmann: This is Brandon. Can you name and explain a unique quality or skill that makes you like a great fit for this position?

Acosta: Um, yes. I think that I don't try to get my personal opinions or views involved when I have to pick shows and timeslots. So for example if I don't like country music, I'm not going to let that get in the way of somebody that wants to come in and play country music for two hours or talk about their favorite country artist. Or if I'm not a part of a certain club or I don't like someone's idea I'm not going to stop them from coming on the air to not talk about it. So my job is just to give as many opportunities to as many people as possible to talk about whatever they want to talk about, within FCC guidelines and things like that.

Seitz: Senator Amu?

Serikyaku: With a (inaudible) being volunteers or what not, how do you plan on um keeping them around so you're not constantly changing up people?

Acosta: Okay, that's actually a good point because that is one of the problems we had last year. Um so I think once that fall semester dwindles down and we start into spring a lot of people like you said, they begin to lose interest and they don't stick around so much. So I do want to have um- I will um have bi-weekly meetings with the show hosts just so I can see them because I'm not always there when they have their shows. Sometimes they come in on Saturdays or Sunday nights for their show and then so I do want to have meetings with them to kind of bring them all together, catch up and give them- and tell them what events Bulls Radio will have so they can plan to attend those events on and off campus.

Seitz: Are there any, Senator Truong?

Truong: As someone who has been in Bulls Radio for a long time, what's one weakness that you see in programming that you want to improve?

Acosta: Well uh the diversity of the programs and also um show hosts not sticking around for the whole year, sometimes they just want to do it for the fall semester, spring semester. So in order to correct that I do kind of want to kind of have stricter guidelines on who can host a show and make sure that they stick around for the whole year by having them come to meetings and having them come to other events that Bulls Radio does.

Seitz: So we are close to exhausting our time, do we have any motions to extend time or move into discussion?

Unknown: Motion to move into discussion.

Seitz: Any objections? Um all right so we're going to move into discussion so if everyone that's not in the JEC can leave the room.

Seitz: Okay so we have moved into discussion. Um I think that- oh I can't even have an opinion. Oh! Kidding! Sorry!

Truong: You can help guide us.

Seitz: Okay! Senator Guerra?

Guerra: I motion that I love her. I think she's perfect, she's been here for four years too so she's probably knows a lot of different roles and positions for pretty much everybody.

Seitz: Senator Truong?

Truong: I agree with Liz, with what she was saying that she does seem really experienced. She knows like what is going on at Bulls Radio and she seems like she has good initiatives that she's thought about. It's not just things that she kind of just took out on a whim, she's thought about them and how she wants to go through them- I was gonna say execute them but that sounds really mean.

Seitz: Senator Myers?

Myers: I kind of based mine off of what you guys said, I feel like most of us are going to say the same thing but definitely- I'm switching it over to now the WUSF and also getting back into the semester, kinda increasing the account of listeners I guess there are. I think that everything she says- I think she's a great addition slash has been a great addition since she's kind of worked with them the past three years.

Truong: Does Bulls Radio have a way to track their listeners and if they are increasing or decreasing?

Seitz: Um yeah I think they do have that. I could ask the other Bulls Radio people who are here, I can't remember his name.

Truong: Yeah you could ask him when they introduce the next candidate if you want to.

Seitz: If there are no further points of discussion, do I have a motion to move into voting procedures?

Unknown: Motion to move into voting procedures.

Seitz: Are there any objections?

Seitz: So we'll start with Chairwoman Truong.

Truong: Yes

Seitz: Senator Myers?

Myers: Yes

Seitz: Senator Amu

Serikyaku: Yes

Seitz: Senator Guerra?

Guerra: Yes

Seitz: And with me abstaining as chair, the vote is 401 and the vote has been passed- she has been confirmed. So can someone go and grab her? Um everybody. Okay so raise your hand and repeat after me. As a member of the Student Government of the University of South Florida.

Acosta: As a member of the Student Government of the University of South Florida.

Seitz: I, state your name and position.

Acosta: I, Jessica Acosta, Assistant Director of Programming for Bulls Radio.

Seitz: Do hereby affirm to uphold the office of-

Acosta: Do hereby affirm to uphold the office of Assistant Director of Programming for Bulls Radio.

Seitz: To abide by the student body constitution.

Acosta: To abide by the student body constitution.

Seitz: And to uphold the statutes incorporated therein.

Acosta: And to uphold the statutes incorporated therein.

Seitz: And to represent the student body to the best of my ability.

Acosta: And to represent the student body to the best of my ability.

Seitz: Congratulations!

Acosta: Thank you!

Seitz: All right moving next- what? Chairwoman Truong?

Truong: Okay what was that question we wanted to say?

Guerra: Is there a way that Bulls Radio measures the amount of following you guys have.

Joe: Listeners? There is a so right now I'm in the middle of uh moving from a server that's literally sitting on the desk in my office to moving to the USF IT cloud. Um so that and then when we were using the old server there is a way but it wasn't accurate. I am not sure why it wasn't accurate, but it wasn't accurate. Um since moving to the cloud, USF IT has ensured me there will be a very easy way for me to be able to tell who is actively listening on streaming and who is actually downloading the podcast. Once we get both of the streams rolled out and everything solid and we know that we have got the connection through and the browser is mobile (inaudible) I actually intend to have um an updated number sent to me every day. Cause I'm an numbers guy, I'm an engineer, I like to see exactly what the numbers are everyday.

Seitz: All right! So moving down the agenda we have Bulls Radio Assistant Director of Music, Jessica Lewis appointee.

Joe: Just so you all know there were 63 applicants for this position, we interviewed 3.

Kuiper: Um just so those who don't know me, I am Zack (inaudible). I am the director of Bulls Radio. Jessica comes to us very highly recommended from the person who did the job before her, Robert the old Music Director, she worked with him as an intern and as a volunteer went on several events. Essentially he just trained and groomed her for this position. She's had the position for a little while, she already rolled out the- I don't you guys were in here when we were talking about the second um music stream. She has already rolled that out, it's already good to go. We're looking at getting it to SGCS uh within this month and then possibly the gym next month. So she's already tackled big projects and shown in a group she can be reliable and get things done.

Seitz: And uh for the record, Attorney General Alex Johnson walked into the room at 3:32 P.M. Um Jessica you're going to have 5 minutes, and at one minute I'll gavel twice. I'll gavel again at thirty seconds and then when you're done I'll gavel you out and you'll have a couple seconds to finish your thought. You ready?

Lewis: Sounds good! All right I'm Jessica Lewis. Um as you just said, I'm going for Assistant Director of Music. Um so just a little about me also, I am projected to graduate in May with a Mass Communications major and I'm minoring in New Media and Film Studies, really heavy in production. I can only have 14 credit hours so it's a pretty light load and I only have class on Monday and Wednesday so I have a lot of time to spend at the studio. I am also a seasonal employee with Busch Gardens but seasonal with very little hours, so I have lots of time. Um leadership experience, I am the president of the Radio Television Digital News Association on campus. We're currently going through transitions into the Online News Association. Um I was the Vice President last year, it's kind of just helped me organize you know how to handle things. I'm also the recording secretary of my fraternity Sigma Alpha Iota on campus, it's a professional women's fraternity, also more organizing of meetings and keeping track of things. Experience like Zach said I was a volunteer last year, I wrote multiple music reviews, I attended festivals and concerts. I was a photographer for one festival. We also had one band come in from California, I participated in interviewing them and I recorded that and I put it up on- I believe it was our website before. For future initiatives with music, I'm really into local music I think it's important to support local artists so I'm working on having local musicians come in. We're going to have a rapper who has emailed me and has expressed interest for coming in for an interview so we're going to be looking into that. Um like I said continuing building the local music, we do have a rotation that is there right now um just kind of adding to that and just making sure we have quality music on there and not just any old band from Tampa. You know, good music. Also building a bigger fan base and talking to the listeners and finding out what they want to hear what their interested in, just getting listeners. I know we have very little

country music on there right now, so that's something I'm trying to work on updating that and just keeping everything up to date and that's it about me.

Seitz: All right so do we have a motion to enter question and answer period?

Guerra: I motion to enter the question and answer period.

Seitz: Do you have a time limit?

Guerra: Time limit of 5 minutes.

Seitz: All right, are there any objections? All right, can all the other candidates leave the room please? You don't have to leave because you're going to- now. All right, so same thing when you have a minute and when you have thirty seconds again. So Senator Guerra since you made the motion you can ask the first question.

Guerra: Well I'll go back to my favorite question. Have you had any challenges of ethics or morals or values in the past and if you have, how have you gone about that?

Lewis: Um I guess kind of just with the job already just ethics wise when people bring in music when I'm not sure if it's good to play on the radio and using your discretion because not all music is exactly radio appropriate and stuff. And then if it's a local artist then kind of talking with them about it and just making sure they understand that and just being professional as possible I think would be a good example.

Seitz: Senator Myers?

Myers: I know you said you're looking at like local bands and everything; do you look at student bands too? Just something I just don't know the information- you guys might already do. Do you guys look at bands from USF? Um you know life groups that- groups of students that have music and stuff like that too?

Lewis: Um that would definitely be the goal- um it's kind of hard because I feel like not a lot of local musicians know that we have the option to come to the radio station so that's something that I'm trying to get out there um I mean myself- I play trumpet so I know people in the community so I'm trying to use that kind of networking to get that kind of USF students in here because that, I prefer to have students on our radio station since it is a USF radio station.

Seitz: Senator- um senator Seitz speaking. How do you plan to reach out to those musicians um you know coming from personal experience because I'm a musician as well um I'm never been approached with that opportunity so how do you plan on reaching out to Marketing and Bulls Radio to make that happen.

Lewis: Um I'm thinking because we have our fantastic Media Director, Jaclyn Diaz because she's head of social media and stuff so kind of working with her. Maybe put some stuff up on Facebook like "Hey if you play music or anything you have this option". Um I also frequently go to live shows like in my spare time and I know a lot of the local bands. Do you play in like Ybor and Crowbar and all that stuff so just kind of like keeping an eye out myself and approaching them personally but um definitely utilizing our social media?

Seitz: Chairwoman Truong?

Truong: What past experiences do you have that you think would help you with this position?

Lewis: Definitely just like the past year. I've watched Rob do this job um I was kind of like a puppy just following him around half the time just being like "hey how do you do this?" um and just everything I did last year. From figuring out the album reviews and how you should word them and all the way to interviewing people I've never interviewed anybody before last year and just kind of been thrown in with a band was just a really good experience and now I have that and I can pass that onto our volunteers now and keep it going.

Seitz: Chairwoman Truong?

Truong: I have a follow-up, so from the past year what are things you see that you would like to change?

Lewis: Um I- as some of you may know, Rob was a DJ so um there is quite a few remixes playing right now. Which I think are great and I think there is a time for them to be playing, but I don't think noon is a time for that to happen on Mondays. So kind of going in and reorganizing the music, I know I'm speaking with Jess our Programming Director about doing blocks of music with different genres and stuff which we have set up now but they're kind of- they're not really differentiated. They're- it's very random and we just need to organize that so that would definitely be the first thing I'm going to work on to change.

Seitz: Senator Amu.

Serikyaku: Um so like you said, you know it's a lot of top 40 music being played right now and what not but um there's a lot of other stations we could listen to for top 40 music and country music. How do you plan on making- basically plan on making um Bulls Radio the music section unique so people will stop listening to you know whatever radio station you're listening to.

Lewis: Um that's where um I think local music is going to help a little bit with that because you know when you have students who are like "Hey you can go listen to me on this radio station". Not everyone's being played on 101.3 or whatever you know all these top stations. You don't have your friends and your peers where you can go listen to them. We also have the option where we can be diverse and have certain days where we play certain music um so it doesn't have to be strictly 40.

Seitz: Are there any further questions? Do I have a motion to move into a discussion period?

Guerra: Motion to move into discussion period. Am I supposed to raise my hand first?

Seitz: So I'll just call on you for future reference. All right, so senator Guerra has made the motion to move to a discussion period so if you could- if everyone could leave the room? Any objections? Nope? Awesome. All right, so Senator Guerra since you made the motion you can begin.

Guerra: Well I mean I think she has a lot of great ideas about expanding Bulls Radio and getting local people, which makes them unique, so I like her.

Seitz: Senator Myers?

Myers: And also I just want to say I guess. I think the guy's name is Zack- he's saying two of the big goals he already wanted her to try to work on and she's already accomplished since she's already had the position or since she's been trying to work on it. So that being said, there's a lot of stuff she wants to do and I feel like she should have no problem trying to accomplish them.

Seitz: Are there any further points of discussion? Do I have a motion to move into voting period?

Truong: I motion to move into voting period.

Seitz: Okay Chairwoman Truong? Any objections? Cool. Chairwoman Truong?

Truong: Yes

Seitz: Senator Myers?

Myers: Yes

Seitz: Senator Amu?

Serikyaku: Yes

Seitz: Senator Guerra?

Guerra: Si.

Seitz: And with me abstaining as chair, the vote is 4-0. Jessica Lewis has been confirmed so if someone could go let her back into the room? All right so I'm going to have you raise your hand so you can take the oath of office. As a member of the Student Government of the University of South Florida.

Lewis: As a member of the Student Government of the University of South Florida.

Seitz: State your name.

Lewis: Jessica Lewis.

Seitz: Do hereby affirm to uphold the office of .

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Lewis: and to represent the student body to the best of my ability.

Seitz: Congratulations! All right so moving down the agenda we have the University Affairs Coordinator Chris Griffin appointee.

Berkowitz: Um so we had 44 people apply for this position and we interviewed 3. Um we felt as if Chris not only had the understanding but the knowledge to put these skills into practice. And after interviewing 3 people and seeing him work throughout this whole summer and this whole month we are confident that we made the right choice so hopefully he can remain. Our coordinator, Chris Griffin.

Seitz: All right, so to repeat you have five minutes. I'll hit the gavel twice at 1, 3 times at 30 seconds, and then gavel you out and you can finish up your last thought. Okay you may begin!

Griffin: Hello! I'm Christopher Griffin. I'm going for University Affairs Coordinator. So a little bit about me um I'm a sophomore double majoring in political science and economics. I'm taking 16 credit hours this semester um mostly because normally I do 15 um and I'm taking Spanish so that's- um I'm taking Chinese so that's um one extra credit hour. Um previous leadership experience, um I was an orientation- well I am an Orientation Team Leader um this past summer and I'll finish up in the spring. I'm a member of Alpha Sigma Phi fraternity, um I was a part of the leadership network for New Student Connections um for my first semester here and I was um a participant in the Emerging Leaders Institute offered by the CLC. My current experiences are um- I am the homecoming committee chair for Alpha Sigma Phi fraternity; I am the treasurer for Phi Alpha Delta pre-law fraternity. I'm on the recruitment committee for Bulls for Kids, or Dance Marathon. I am a member of Mock Trial. Um the activities that I've completed so far um during my time since I was elected until now, first off is the class photo so we worked with New Student Connections to um provide ice pops for all of the students because previous years they had um people faint so we wanted to give them something cool and sugary so that- we went through and ordered all the ice pops and passed them out to students. Um I helped out with the huddle, to um- so the huddle was a Student Government initiative to help bring the um students to um meet the football players to talk to the head coach like before um the school does- football season starting. So I helped with all the coordinating for that, um designing some of the stuff and like promoting it as well as when I got there liked helped passed out people to work with Orientation Team Leaders to um encourage and pep up the squad. Um I've worked with Bulls Blitz for all of them so far as a bus captain as well as recruiting other Orientation Team Leaders to um be bus captains um and then Pastries with the President which was last Wednesday. Um I planned the event and um basically it was just we invited students to come up here to ask any questions that they had with um anyone in Student Government um and provided pastries and stuff for them to get to know um Student Government. So that's a monthly initiative that we're going to do the first Wednesday of every month so we're planning for the next one. But I'll get that into future initiatives so um this Wednesday we have the University Wide Committee Expo. Where we're going to showcase all of the University Wide Committees um and after um we try to recruit people to apply for the committees then we will be interviewing qualified people and helping to place them on the committees. We're working with the Alumnae Association to plan- they just created a new Book of Bull, so we're planning um like a launch party to congratulate the people who planned um- who wrote the whole new book. We are working with Undergraduate Studies to help the QEP is happening so that's um the University's going under a review to make sure we're still qualified. So we're working to implement a program, our program is the Glo-bull Citizens Project. So we're trying to figure out what we're going to make it an award and the students can receive. And the Student Memorial, so um we have the Student Memorial being done in November so we would have to plan an opening to the memorial as well as the whole ceremony for that. We're working with athletics to help plan out an event for fall family weekend and then again Pastries with the President, as it keeps reoccurring we'll keep having to be filled as well as helping with any issues as they arise. So just thank you I'm going to put in a quote there, "I've got a theory if you give 100% all the time, somehow things will work out in the end." So just um putting my all into everything that I do.

Seitz: Okay do I have a motion to move into question answer period? Senator Amuru.

Serikyaku: Uh I motion to move into question and answer period.

Seitz: Do you have a time limit?

Serikyaku: Um 5 minutes.

Seitz: All right, if I could ask the other candidates to exit the room. All right, senator Amuru since you made the motion you may begin.

Serikyaku: All right so one of the qualifications of the job is to possess a fine knowledge- or a high knowledge or interest of all aspects of the University, so what would you consider to be one of your most uh um interesting I guess aspect of University affairs and what's your least interesting (inaudible).

Griffin: What do I think is?

Serikyaku: Yeah

Griffin: Okay so I'd probably say my personal favorite part would be um what it's called, student life versus academic life. I don't like find it as interesting obviously I'm still in academic, I'm in the honors college and I do value grades I just prefer to work in Student Affairs versus academic affairs. So I mean I'm working with both in everything that we do um working with um Kristen and then the town halls with all of the um all of the Deans. That's one of the things we're working on, as well as like academic affairs just um- student affairs. Just about everything we've done so far has been student affairs related.

Seitz: Um Senator Seitz for the record. Uh how do you feel this position will help you grow?

Griffin: Help me grow? Um it's definitely taught me a lot about professionalism already. Um I've never like reached out to professionals before or even writing emails to them. Um it was kind of weird at first to be writing emails to like deans and like really high doctoral people, and asking them questions about the University Wide Committees and stuff like that so it's kind of a different sense to be talking to those people to be meeting with um these people versus like previously I've never done anything at such a high caliber.

Seitz: Senator Guerra?

Guerra: Um so you know you have sixteen credit hours this semester, how do you think you're going to manage your time between this large position and all those credit hours?

Griffin: Um I don't think that 16 is that many, um as an Orientation Team Leader we told everybody 14-16 is the average. Um so I would say that's like an average and having a job as well um they're both really important to me. They're my most important things that I do um so I've been able to do well so far this semester and I don't see anything um going wrong in the future. I have a very tight schedule that I follow very strictly so that's basically the way I work to make sure that everything is happening.

Seitz: Chairwoman Truong?

Truong: So you have 12 hours a week and there are a lot of initiative that you're talking about, how do you plan on prioritizing all of that with the small number of hours that you're receiving.

Griffin: Um well basically a lot of it is um making sure that it's like getting down, obviously I'm going to work with um Judelande and whoever takes over the director position um to make sure that everything- these initiatives weren't all like on me, it's more like the department um and because we don't have a director right

now it's falling onto me and Judelande to share um. So it's kind of like- it's kind of a awkward situation that we're in currently but um I plan on getting it. Between working with me and Judelande we will get them done.

Seitz: There are no further questions; do I have a motion to move into a discussion period? Senator Guerra?

Guerra: I motion to move into a discussion period.

Seitz: Are there any objections? Seeing none, if we could have everyone leave the room. Thank you. All right Senator Guerra, since you made the motion you may begin.

Guerra: Um (inaudible) I don't want to say anything; I mean I don't have anyone else to compare him to. So I guess (inaudible).

Seitz: Senator Myers?

Myers: I know that with this position you know a lot of people on campus with at least like the department to figure out who's who. Um I know he's working with New Student- was working with New Student Connections and then also other departments on campus along with being heavily involved. So I think he has a well grasp of everything and all the tasks that he has to finish up to complete the semester so I think he'll do well with it.

Seitz: Senator Amuru?

Serikyaku: Um I thought his presentation was a little bit um distracting because he was like very nervous but that being said I think he'd do a great job. To me he seems like he would be able to not maybe deliver a huge speech in front of a crowd but (inaudible) judging off of his resume he'd be able to take care of it.

Seitz: Chairwoman Truong?

Truong: So I've been working with Chris since he's been appointed and he's done a really good job. I always see him working in the office or even sometimes he'll just be here doing homework or something and if you have a question even if he's not clocked in he'll still help and like I know you tried asking about time and so like we've talked about it and I think he'd be able to do it. I think he's a really good person for the position and he's put a lot of time and effort into it since he's been appointed to prove that to me at least.

Seitz: If there are no further points of discussion do I have a motion to move into voting procedures? Senator Myers?

Myers: I motion to move into it.

Seitz: Are there any objections? Okay, Chairwoman Truong?

Truong: Yes.

Seitz: Senator Myers?

Myers: Yes.

Seitz: Senator Amuru?

Serikyaku: Yes

Seitz: Senator Guerra?

Guerra: Yes.

Seitz: And with me abstaining as chair, the vote is 4-0-1. He has been confirmed. Thanks. So if you could raise your right hand. As a member of the Student Government of the University of South Florida.

Griffin: As a member of the Student Government of the University of South Florida.

Seitz: I, state your name.

Griffin: I, Christopher Griffin.

Seitz: Do hereby affirm to hold the office of.

Griffin: Do hereby affirm to hold the office of University Affairs Coordinator.

Seitz: To abide by the student body constitution.

Griffin: To abide by the student body constitution.

Seitz: To uphold the statutes incorporated therein.

Griffin: To uphold the statutes incorporated therein.

Seitz: And to represent the student body to the best of my ability.

Griffin: And to represent the student body to the best of my ability.

Seitz: Congratulations Chris! Alrighty, moving down the agenda. We have Community Affairs Coordinator Appointee, Cody Huntley.

Berkowitz: All right just so you guys know 65 people applied, we interviewed 3. Um and (inaudible). Cody honestly stuck out as caring for the USF community and wanting to get more involved. He does the work, he worked as a (inaudible) I get them all confused. And he's committed, and honestly really (inaudible) department but it's really just he'll do anything. Uh he really will step up for other work we need to do; Bulls Blitz, um other events you know he's just always here and always willing to work. I don't want to take away your thunder of your presentation.

Seitz: All right, you may begin.

Huntley: All right so like they said I'm Cody, the Community Affairs Coordinator appointee and hopefully after today not just appointee. Okay so I'm a Psychology major and currently I'm still deciding whether I want to do criminology as full time with a major with a Psychology minor or with a Criminology minor because I'm really interested in Criminology and all aspects of it. Although, I want to go into Student Affairs so it doesn't really matter what I major in college. I'm taking 13 credit hours; I only have one class that's kind of not really a class. It's a lab, it's only on Wednesdays and then I have 2 classes on Mondays and Wednesdays which is a very light load, it's 2 online classes so I don't really do that much work so I can focus on everything else I have in my life. My other commitments are Circle K International and I'm the Vice President of that. It's a service organization and we do community service on most weekends with just one meeting a week. I

just try to get everybody involved in the world and keep them happy is something I've done since high school as well. Center for Student Involvement committee it's just something that's started this year as today an hour commitment It's only an hour once a week. Then Bulls for Kids I'm hoping to get involved with this year with committees. Past involvement like I said, Circle K International is what I did my entire freshman year. I'm a sophomore I forgot to mention that. Residence Hall Association was a big part of my life last year, I was Vice President of that since I was a freshman, that's like almost impossible to do but there was a vacancy and they really liked my interview. They thought I could help them in much needed ways which was a lot of work to try to get cohesion amongst all different halls on campus between south side campus and north side campus. It's really hard to get freshman to just connect with one another. Student Government Street Team, I worked different events like Mr. and Mrs. USF (inaudible) was a big part of that. Bulls Blitz last year, like I've done this year as well and just helping with whatever anybody needs. That is my life, and then Undergraduate Public Health Student's Association. When I decided I wanted to be a Public Health major when I first came into school, which was fun, I planned socials and everything with them too. And my work experience, so back in the end of spring semester this past year I worked for the computer store which I don't know if any of you know the computer store is more than the actual 'I'm going to go buy a MacBook'. It's the top floor of the library next to documents and receiving's so I've like sorted folders and helped with important financial documents that the computer store brings in every day so I reconcile folders for them. And then I helped in the ID card center, making ID's for students which we need everywhere. And then I worked for USF Housing Residential Education this past summer as a ROC, which is a Residential Outreach Communications Specialist, answering questions via telephone and online on the Class of 2018 page that is run by USF Housing and then I provided in depth housing tours to all of these potential Bulls trying to get everyone pumped about coming to USF because as always everything about USF campus is 'Go Bulls'. And then my goals for community affairs this year is Bulls Country since that is our biggest initiative as a department is trying to get cohesion amongst USF and it's business partners around. So we're trying to create this giant discount sort of circle, as I like to think of it in my head around campus. So we're going to have like- if we're a pinpoint and there's a blip outside of it we want that to go all over Tampa. So we want students to go around to South Tampa, uh stay around campus and go to Fletcher Wal-Mart and see like this giant side where it just says 'Go Bulls', this is your home. Uh Tampa Bay Lightning, it's my biggest initiative, it's something that I've personally worked on is what I said in my interview. I personally really like ice hockey but it's not really a thing I've ever heard of in the 19 years that I've lived in Florida and it's something that's big about Tampa Bay, like who doesn't want to go to a game? So we're proposing Lightning day with the Bulls. And then civic engagement and student leadership, those are the biggest pillars in my heart, it doesn't take a title to be a leader. That's something I live by, but I like my titles so it's a little bit contradictory. So we helped this year to work with students mostly street team and get them involved with community affairs and try to get them to come out of their shells and work within the community like we are for our Bulls Country program to make it bigger, better, and for the students.

Seitz: All right, do I have any motions? Senator Amuru?

Serikyaku: I motion to proceed to question and answer.

Seitz: With a time limit of?

Serikyaku: With a time limit of 5 minutes.

Seitz: Are there any objections? Okay, since you made the motion you may start.

Serikyaku: Okay um so basically you've got a couple things on your resume as far as experiences goes. It's kind of obvious what- how Residence Outreach and all that would've helped you on your expedition. What about your more earlier job positions, how do you think that would help you in this next endeavor?

Huntley: Okay so my earlier job position, which was just the computer store, I dealt with a lot of people everyday. Different like people trying to explain why they needed new ID's, that's mostly when I dealt with people in the ID card center working for the computer store. So that one doesn't really help me as much but when I go back further to high school I worked extensively with a non profit where I set up events and got community involvement through just different- Wal-Mart for example I know I mentioned before with our Bulls. But they have a sort of allotted fund for community sponsorships throughout the year. With my non profit company 'People for Trees', I'm a bit of an environmental junkie um we got sort of a sponsorship from them for events so we bought plates, trees even. We got money for that and then all the other stuff we needed to run events just through a sponsorship we found so that's outreach for that. And then through another one, CPI and Key Club International which is Circle K Club for the record I contacted businesses all the time. Not so much with Circle K yet because I just got involved this past year but with my Key Club back in my high school I was extensively involved with the community. That's our initiate, it's for the kids, it's for the people.

Seitz: Uh Senator Seitz for the record. Um Bulls Country I think is a super important thing and I know that um people have talked about it a lot and it's exciting to see it start getting implemented um however a lot of corporations don't allow things like that um in terms of putting you know signs up because their corporate doesn't allow it. How do you plan to still work with those businesses to find a good like medium ground where they still can do it and help students- but we can still- does that make sense? Like how do you get those hard to reach people?

Huntley: So I'm assuming you're talking about like corporations like McDonalds or something like that. Okay so we've actually have run into this problem, not me personally. We haven't been able to contact most of the big corporations because they do require a supervisor rather than just a coordinator going around that I just contact the actual owner because like the one over on Fletcher and Bruce B Downs kind of- don't know how to explain it. They are owned by somebody so most of the owners can implement their own discount for a sort of buy this get this because they own it and the franchise, because it's franchise it allows a little leeway there. There are some companies like Target for example, they wouldn't be able to just give out their own thing without contacting corporate so we have to go up the chain and get permission for that, which they usually do since it's a college around here they have student programs so that's a little more work but if it's for the university and for the betterment of the students and their life here it's doing what I do and we're going to get through to them. Either way, we have a long list of business contacts so.

Seitz: Chairwoman Truong?

Truong: Since your appointment a month ago, what have you done?

Huntley: So I was allowed to start working about two weeks ago which is not that much time, but since I've been here I've compiled a list of businesses to contact for our Bulls Country program to start getting those businesses rolling in even though we might not be able to implement it as soon as possible because we have a marketing delay. We do want to get those businesses contacted so we have a cushion to go off on. So we've gotten restaurants that quite a lot of people have given us suggestions for that they want to go eat at or something like that and we have a bunch of just different businesses like small mom and pop. Then we do

have the big ones like MOSI is something that is big on our list even though they do something that is a USF discounts we want to make sure they are a part of the Bulls Country.

Seitz: Senator Myers?

Myers: I was just going to ask something similar to Chairwoman Truong. I guess so you guys are mainly- besides for when people suggest- your mainly focusing on Fletcher and Fowler for now and then going towards like how you said South Tampa.

Huntley: So we're just trying to focus on anything students like, so it's not per say just in the university area, it's like the Lightning- my biggest initiative is downtown so I am pushing for that. We're pushing for more things like the Ybor- central Ybor area and then sort of South Howard, all those areas. So it's just anything you're interested in and we're willing to contact them.

Seitz: Okay so we've exhausted our time, do I have any motions to extend time or move into a discussion period? Senator Guerra?

Guerra: I move to extend time by 1 minute.

Seitz: Are there any objections? Okay motion has been accepted.

Guerra: I was just going to ask um besides giving like discounts to students, how else can we connect with the businesses and make them know what USF is?

Huntley: So one of our biggest parts of the Bulls Country program is just applying this little decal we want to put in the window so that students know where Bulls Country sort of area is so when they walk in they can go oh, this place offers something to USF students. I have my ID on me, can I get something here? Whether it's a discount, whether it's sort of um like a free something on the side or some sort of service that gets discounted or just promoted towards students. Can you say your question again so I can answer it a little better?

Guerra: I think you did well.

Seitz: So are there any extensions on time or any motions to move into a discussion period? Senator Myers?

Myers: I motion to move into a discussion period.

Seitz: Any objections? Okay. All right Senator Myers since you made the motion you may begin.

Myers: The thing he just said, he was appointed two weeks ago um pending us. Even though he's got a list of businesses and everything I think he will tackle um communicate with companies well. Based on his past experiences with um you know other involvement or his past jobs et cetera, so I think Cody will do well.

Seitz: Senator Guerra?

Guerra: I think he was very professional, very knowledgeable. He has a lot of very good ideas that he's willing to execute and I think he has a good sense of communicating with the entire community. I like him.

Seitz: If there are no further points of discussion do I have a motion to move into voting procedures? Senator Amuru?

Serikyaku: I motion to move into voting procedures.

Seitz: Thank you. Senator- uh Chairwoman Truong?

Truong: Yes

Seitz: Senator Myers?

Myers: Yes

Seitz: Senator Amuru

Serikyaku: Yes

Seitz: Senator Guerra?

Guerra: Yes

Seitz: And with me abstaining as chair the vote goes for 4-0-1. He has been confirmed. If you could ask him to come back in? All right we're going to have you take the oath of office. If you could raise your right hand and repeat after me. As a member of the Student Government of the University of South Florida.

Huntley: As a member of the Student Government of the University of South Florida.

Seitz: I, state your name.

Huntley: I, Cody Huntley.

Seitz: Do hereby affirm to uphold the office of.

Huntley: Do hereby affirm to uphold the office of University Affairs Coordinator.

Seitz: To abide by the student body constitution.

Huntley: To abide by the student body constitution.

Seitz: To uphold the statues incorporated therein.

Huntley: To uphold the statues incorporated therein.

Seitz: And to represent the student body to the best of my ability.

Huntley: And to represent the student body to the best of my ability.

Seitz: Congratulations! All right, moving down. Last one of the day, we have Marketing Coordinator Mateo Hernandez.

Berkowitz: Okay for the Marketing Coordinator position we had 30 applicants and we only interviewed 3 of those, um Mateo really stood out and as you guys know we have Dan who's a really skilled graphic designer and we're looking for somebody who could um produce equal work. The same quality at the same pace, and we saw that in Mateo more than any of the others. Significantly more than the others so we're very excited to have him on the team.

Seitz: All right, the clickers right there for you. So you just take that and you.

Hernandez: So start whenever?

Seitz: Yeah, so you'll have five minutes and at 1 minute I'll gavel twice, 30 seconds I'll gavel three times, and when you're out of time I'll gavel you out and you can finish up your last thought. All right, you may begin!

Hernandez: All right, well everybody I'm Mateo Hernandez. I'm running for Marketing Coordinator. I just (inaudible) I'm going into my senior year. I'm majoring in cell biology and my minor is in general business. I thought instead of putting my classes and stuff I kind of have a work schedule already in place and this is really my work schedule for the 12 hours that I would need for the week and that works in with all my classes so that- is I'm available to work. So leadership experience, I'm the Vice President of Sig Ep, well for my fraternity here and I've done it for almost a year now so its taught me to be well organized and tasked with a lot of different things at the same time. Same thing with being the treasurer of Golden Key here at USF, and then past Student Government experience. I've been a senator, midterm senator for the College of Business for the 54th term and I was reelected for the 55th term but then I had to recently resign because of the appointee position thing. For both times I was a member of the Audits and Appropriations committee. My past experiences with graphic designing, I started designing in high school. I went to a vocational high school where you just pick a major and I picked commercial arts, it taught me Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign, all this. Then after college- I mean after high school I pretty much just worked as a freelance graphic designer for like friend's parents or just people who would hit me up when I passed out my business cards and stuff. So I've done anything from flyers, business cards, and Spanish flyers. I'm Hispanic, I speak Spanish. Yeah and then logos here, then digital cartoons, more things, and digital paintings. Future initiatives is just pretty much I would rather just show what I already have done as being appointed so far just continue to produce high quality design at a good pace. That was when- this is another one, and that's it.

Seitz: Okay do I have any motions to move into question/answer period? Senator Myers?

Myers: I motion to move into question and answer period with a 5 minute cap.

Seitz: Are there any objections? Okay Senator Myers since you made the motion you may begin.

Myers: Since you started out in senate, um and like working with Dan. Uh have you ran into any problems and how if so you kind of recovered? Have you come into any problems?

Hernandez: Like communication?

Myers: Working and trying to figure out like with whatever departments you're trying to make flyers for or vice versa and-

Hernandez: Yeah I see what you're saying. Well luckily we have a very fantastic Assistant Director of Marketing. She's like on point with everything, like detailed things like what's in progress and what needs to be done. She like passes out and allocates who's going to do what and who's going to do this. So like it's very organized so I don't really foresee any problems with that. Unless I'm like I can't do this, I have a test this week Dan can you please take this design for me. Something like that but I mean we're pretty good friends so we would like just talk to each other and overcome that.

Myer: I've got a follow up, you also put down like your I guess your work schedule. So if something came up on one of those days, are you decently available to go around that schedule?

Hernandez: Yeah, I'm taking 14 credit hours so it's like a very light load compared to the previous semesters. So yeah, it's not that bad.

Seitz: For the record this is Senator Seitz, you and Dan seem to have very similar styles and kind of personalities. How do you feel that you guys will be able to challenge each other to further the marketing aspect of Student Government?

Hernandez: Well when it comes down to creativity we work on the same, well if you look at the office. I always take a peek over my right shoulder and like he's already inspiring me. He's like- his way of thinking and design motivates me to improve myself because I look at him like 'dude that's really good', I don't know if I can like reach that level to like compete with him- not like competing but like on the same page. So that by itself like motivates me to go more- I don't know if he thinks the same way but I mean he's already at a good level so he should be fine but that's from my side.

Seitz: Senator Amuru?

Serikyaku: I know like a lot of times the big problem with creative departments and management, they don't understand that sometimes you need a longer time than the deadline because you know you want to put your best into it and sometimes they don't understand. There's like a miscommunication that goes on. Was there a time that you encountered something like that, and in the future how do you plan to resolve it?

Hernandez: I mean a time where I haven't had enough time to design?

Serikyaku: Basically, yeah. When they don't understand and they're like 'oh (inaudible)' that kind of thing.

Hernandez: Yeah I have experienced that before, but I'm usually like pretty quick when I design. Even though like it's good but fast, I'm just a quick worker and it turns out to be okay. But yeah if I turn it in and they're like 'hey you need to fix this, this, and that'. I can just go around and fix that; I don't really have problems with people like critiques and criticism. It's their- they want the design. It's their like thing they want so why not produce what they want so.

Seitz: If there are no further questions, are there any motions to move into discussion period?

Amuru: Motion to move into discussion period.

Seitz: Are there any objections? All right if you guys could leave the room. All right, Senator Amuru since you made the motion you may begin.

Amuru: Um I think that he's an excellent candidate mostly since he has a background in doing more science stuff with requires more of the concrete um thought process and he also has the creative graphic design part so I guess he has in his experience I guess a wide variety of um situation- what not he's deal with properly and I think that he's a great candidate. And his stuff is obviously good.

Seitz: If- Senator- I mean Chairwoman Truong.

Truong: I agree with what Senator Amuru said, and all of his work looks really good.

Seitz: There are no further points of discussion, do I have a motion to move into voting procedures? Senator Myers?

Myers: Motion to move into voting procedures.

Seitz: Are there any objections? Cool, so Senator- Chairwoman Truong?

Truong: Yes.

Seitz: Senator Myers?

Myers: Yes.

Seitz: Senator Amuru?

Amuru: Yes

Seitz: Senator Guerra?

Guerra: Yes

Seitz: And with me abstaining as chair, the vote is 4-0-1. Mateo has been confirmed. You're going to take the oath of office, please raise your right hand. As a member of the Student Government of the University of South Florida.

Hernandez: As a member of the Student Government of the University of South Florida.

Seitz: I, state your name.

Hernandez: I Mateo Hernandez.

Seitz: Do hereby affirm to uphold the office of.

Hernandez: Do hereby affirm to uphold the office of Marketing Coordinator.

Seitz: To abide by the student body constitution.

Hernandez: To abide by the student body constitution.

Seitz: To uphold the statutes incorporated therein.

Hernandez: To uphold the statutes incorporated therein.

Seitz: And to represent the student body to the best of my ability.

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2. Executive Memo

Seitz: Congratulations! Okay so um next item on the agenda is Executive Memo 55-041, increase in hours for the student body Vice President um I turn it over to (inaudible).

Attorney General Johnson: So for those of you that don't know me, I'm Attorney General Johnson. Um just to do a quick overview. In order for the executive- well actually we already did that. Each employee of the executive branch has a set amount of authorized hours. So to give you an example, mine particularly for Attorney General, I have 20 authorized hours at 9.55. So if I ever wanted to see a permanent increase to that according to statutes we have the executive branch must write a memorandum to this committee in order to explain. Not to sound rude or uh disrespectful but we don't need consent unless we need to require more money, if we require more money that goes to the Appropriations committee. The statutes if you look at the chapter 307, do say that we have at least four of you so in this particular instance when we did the executive structure, we only allotted Vice President Rhondell Whyte 9 hours because he was originally going to be a Resident Assistant um unfortunately he decided to resign from being a Resident Assistant and so the Executive Branch has decided to up his authorized hours to 20 hours a week. Being that he's an international student he cannot go to the normal 39 hours that someone who normally would be the Vice President and was already within our ASRC applications so no need to go to Appropriations there. Are there any questions?

Seitz: Um so what is going to happen with um Chief of Staff Greg Burkowitz's hours, I know he was originally allocated extra hours to compensate for that, are his staying the same now?

Johnson: His will be staying the same, he's uh 30 at 9.55 so everything is already balanced out. Um we basically had used um our pay roll reserve to cover for Rhondell's hours, but in addition since we also had a delay in hiring for several positions we had extra payroll anyway so we actually have more in payroll reserve than actually was in ASRC allocation. Any questions? All right, if you need me I'm over there.

Announcements

Seitz: Okay so moving on, are there any announcements? Chairwoman Truong, all right just so you guys know if you've not going to come to a committee meeting just let me know at least 24 hours in advance so this Sunday by 3pm, because If you let me know at 3:01- I don't want to but I'll mark you excused. That's in our SOPs, which we'll probably go over next week. We're also going to be having Vice Chair elections, so if anyone wants to be Vice Chair send me an email so I know and just a really semi random question. Is anyone vegetarian? No. Do you guys like pizza and Chik-fil-a? And also good job to Senator Seitz for chairing today. You did a good job.

If you don't know, I'm the first year graduate assistant for ESCADO so I'll be advising your committee for the year and if you have any questions just come see me outside near the common area and if after this meeting you want my contact information you can stop by and get my card.

Seitz: All right do I have any motions to adjourn the meeting? Just kidding.

Truong: Also you guys did a really good job with your first confirmations, you asked really good questions. I was really impressed; you guys did a really good job. I'm really proud. Okay.

Seitz: All right so are there any motions to adjourn? Senator Myers?

Myers: Motion to adjourn.

Seitz: Are there any objections? All right the meeting has been adjourned at 4:23 P.M.

Meeting adjourned at 4:23 PM.

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