

# Agenda of the 84th Senate

Hofstra University Student Government Association November 7, 2019 Student Center Greenhouse

Call to order at 6:33 PM

- A. Quorum Call
  - a. Quorum is set at 25
- **B.** Special Business
  - a. Compass Dining
    - i. Chair Cote moves to open the Gallery
      - 1. Motion Seconded and passed
    - ii. Bruce Bechtle and Lisa Ospitale
    - iii. Have had a small group meeting with some members of SGA and other students
    - iv. Architect and designer walked around and took measurements of the Student Center in order to put things discussed in the Group Meeting into effect
    - v. Wants to start construction on May 18th
    - vi. Ouestions
      - 1. Chair Osner
        - a. Dining Hours posted this semester, Main student center is only open till 9 even though Starbucks is open till 10, what happened with the hour changes?
          - i. Something in the original arrangement back in 2017, negotiations at the time said that the times would revert back to 9:00 PM. Many opportunities to eat on campus after 9:00, so it shouldn't be an issue. Mainly a labour issue. ABP in the Axinn was part of that agreement, ABP is not as big as Starbucks or Dunkin, fewer fans, therefore, it doesn't make sense for them to operate as long.
      - 2. Senator Cady
        - a. Is this in the compass agreement in the hours?

- i. Yes
- b. Has there been any discussion to offering more options?
  - i. There hasn't been any at this point, And yes we are always open to discussion

### 3. Senator Khandelwal

- a. A lot of student groups sell beverages in the Atrium, how was the decision to ban selling beverages taken?
  - Limit of beverages is from the Nassau County Health
    Department. If beverages are sold for a profit they would
    fine you, because it is a Nassau County Health Code
    violation.
  - ii. There was a case given to IEI at a community meeting and it came from bringing off campus food to Hofstra.
  - iii. If someone brings in perishable food it needs the proper licensing and needs the proper rules and transportation needs, If someone brings food and gets sick they will say they got sick at Hofstra not from Chick-Fil-A.

### 4. Senator Fletcher

- a. Is there not any exception on campus, is there any openness for negotiation?
  - i. I don't think so, you would have to contact Nassau County.

### 5. Chair Alameda

- a. The Meal plan dining options we can choose from, do you set those, or does Hofstra set them?
  - i. It varies a lot to the venue.
- b. How much does an average meal cost?
  - i. Usually \$5 to \$6
- c. By setting an average of \$7.50 per meal, a semesterly cost is around \$2,362.50, and this is a lot of money. Has there been any discussion regarding this?
  - i. I think it comes down to budgeting and how much the students are eating, there are a lot of students that do not go home on the weekend and it depends on how much they eat, and depends on throughout the day. We are in line with other costs to other campuses.
  - ii. I think compass should work with the school to get better prices for compass, and if you get student choice twice in a day you are going more over than the "\$7.50 per meal limit"
    - 1. All retail pricing is approved by Hofstra before it comes to us in the Student Center. For starbucks It also comes into with the prices

already on it especially when the students are buying mugs.

## 6. Gallery Student

- a. The other day in line for Einstein Bagels, the menu price differed from the Receipt price, could you explain why?
  - We will check on the menu boards and fix the prices and the cashiers are just pressing the button when programming

### 7 Chair Cote

- a. Prices have been steadily increasing, and I do recognize you take inflation into account, but is Compass taking any steps to ensure food remains accessible and affordable to students?
  - i. In the agreement from the university and the price comes the CPI from the government and it shows the max increase that can be added in the fall. The maximum price increase was 2.8%. Coke and Pepsi increased their prices 4.5% and 4.25% respectively. We do not change the price mid year. Last year on bottled beverages went down 1.7%. Items such as Peanut butter is considered a convenience item and when you have more items the bigger the items and more in stock the cheaper the price, Hofstra is charged a higher price due to a limited stock. We have to pay a higher cost. We sell it for your convenience if you buy it from somewhere else we understand because they are buying it in bulk.

## b. In short nothing can be done

i. Yes, but some things don't change prices at all, but others may go up the full 2.8%, fruit prices change all the time.

### 8. Senator McDonough

- a. You increased Coke prices up by 2.3%, why didn't you do the full increase?
  - i. This was last year, and Coke and Pepsi changed it in the middle of the year, so we took a huge hit.
- b. How come not every price increased?
  - Sometimes we take the price hit to move items off shelves, we try to keep things as reasonable as we can. If there's no substantial item increase, we won't increase the price.

## 9. Gallery Student

a. I have a really big problem with Compass, I have food allergies, specifically, dairy, peanut and treenut. However, here I have had several problems with cross-contamination, however, about a

month ago, the instagram for Hofstra Dining posted something about vegan cream cheese, and your post about it insinuated it had no dairy or nuts. I ingested it, and almost died as a result of that.

- i. I apologise about that, and I know it was life or death, but once we found out, we changed all the signage for everything. We can talk separately about that if you'd like. We will have people serving at the G8 station soon, due to the potential for cross-contamination.
- b. I know there are marks for gluten free and certain other allergies but can there be better and more clearer labels.
  - i. Items are getting more labels and we are going to get better at that.
- c. I know you are doing more labels on the baked goods now and I just have issues with that because of the issue of missing ingredients that are obviously in the item.
  - We have a database that has all the ingredients, if you have any questions, please check on dineoncampus.com/hofstra.
- d. For people that have allergies there are not really breakfast options.
  - i. G8 is not going away, it is going to get expanded!

### 10. Senator Cadv

- a. I know about the Student Choice, but what else does Compass offer in regards to budget meals?
  - We are offering combo meals, includes a beverage, a side, and an entrée, but generally that is where the discount is.
- b. Is there any conversation about increasing these?
  - i. That can be something we can look at
  - ii. If you go to the deli you can go right there as well.
- c. Is there any data available to students about the prices so they can look at and compare the prices themselves?
  - i. We have lists if you want to look at the thousands of items we can look at. Anything that comes prepackaged from an outside company will never be on a combo deal.

### 11. Chair Firooz

- a. I know you're saying that the price increase was set in the summer, but up until a few weeks ago, the prices were incorrectly listed. Could you please keep the pricing updated?
  - i. The team didn't update the signage, and someone mentioned that the price was wrong.

- b. Do we know the amount that is taxed on food, because price listing is usually different from what we're charged?
  - Meal plans are not taxed, and a few weeks ago all the labeling was put up in the Student Center. If there is an issue please self identify and talk to a manager so you can get the proper amount.

### 12. Senator Fletcher

- a. I think the bottom line is that everything is far too expensive here, as Senator Cady said, a sandwich and Lays chips are \$9, and nowhere off campus would charge as much for that much. Because students don't eat on campus and are using the Pride Pantry more and more, and as far as signage, yes that is important, but it seems as if the underlying problem is that it is far too expensive. I would like to see some kind of communication between admin and students about somehow lowering prices.
  - i. We can look into it and work with the university, in the long run you should stay away from the set prices and and eat with foods on campus and made on campus.

### 13. Gallery Student

- a. Last year the price of the Pasta was brought up, and this year the size was decreased but the price remained the same? I could go to the store and get the ingredients myself for a ½ of the price, so where does the price come from?
  - i. The price is coming from what it costs us to make to product, the cost is staying the same and the price stayed the same. I compared it myself and saw a difference.
  - ii. I will go back and look at the data for the pasta station
- b. There have questions already about procol on how we catch the prices
  - i. Humans are humans and we do make mistakes. But I do make more concerns for the Allergens parts because that is more important. We have to go back and check the ingredients list, we need to look at the positives in the student center. What is more important the equipment goes down or the sign is wrong.
- c. Is there a system that is going to be designated for the allergens area.
  - i. Yes the system will grow and the staff is being trained.We try to accommodate as many students as possible.We are trying as hard as we can.

### 14. Senator Fletcher

- a. Why not have two different sizes of Pasta, but it's so much that I can never finish it, I feel like if we can have two sizes that would be extremely helpful.
  - i. Yes we will look into it.

### 15. Senator Ortiz

- a. What efforts are being done to bring more ethnic food onto campus?
  - i. One of the big problems we have had is bringing more halal foods on campus with more ethnic varieties. If our chefs are not comfortable with that cuisine, then they will refuse to cook it, and we accept that.

## 16. Gallery Student

- a. Why were we not allowed to film this?
  - Anytime we are being recorded all questions need to be brought forward before the meeting. That comes straight from the university. If you need anything you can always see Bruce or Lisa in their office. We are always here to listen to the students

## 17. Senator Battipaglia

- a. I didn't know that we weren't taxed every time, so I just wanted you to be aware that every time I buy a sandwich, the kiosk says that it is \$4.07, but I'm charged around \$5.50
  - We have all the information online and you can add money to your meal card and you do save money from tax.

### 18. Chair Osner

a. I've seen the amount of outreach that you've been doing, and it helps for students to put a face to the name, which is really good because otherwise compass seems like a big domineering force.

### 19. Senator Hotaling

- a. Moves to close the gallery
  - i. Motion Seconded and passed
- C. Approval of Senate Minutes from October, 31 2019
- D. Approval of Cabinet Minutes from November, 6 2019
- E. New Business
  - a. Service Timeline Presentation by Service Chair Maria Mobley
    - i. November 16: Shake-a-rake, December: Clothing Drive, February: Nursing Home visit, March/April: Pride Paint + Plant and Beach Clean-up, Late April/May: Relay for Life, this is open for suggestions
    - ii. Potential for a Mandatory Service Hour as a potential for new legislation
      - 1 Senator Khandelwal
        - a. Moves to have a straw poll about mandatory Service hour
          - i. Motion Seconded, Motion Passed

### iii. Questions and Comments

- 1. Senator Greco
  - a. If you want to help with Valentine's day I would love to help.
- 2. Chair Alameda
  - a. Do you know if Hofstra does any clothing drives in the winter?
    - i. I'm not sure, different organizations do, but not Hofstra University
- 3. Senator Stark
  - a. I know I brought this up in the Hempstead Initiative, I think I'd love to have us go to speak to High School SGAs
    - i. I would definitely be open to that, but I'm not sure if it'd be a service event or not
- 4. Chair Cote moves for a recess
  - a. Motion Seconded and passed at 8:00 PM
  - b. Meeting called back to order at 8:17 PM
- iv. Senator McDonough Moves to suspend the Minutes
  - 1. Motion Seconded and passed
- v. Senator Stark moves for a 5 minute moderated caucus about Compass
  - 1. Motion Seconded, Motion Passed
- b. Moderated Caucus about Compass
  - i. Chair Alameda: the culture has changed with senators over the years, I think we should have the questions already done and that way it will make it easier to keep it organized.
  - ii. Senator Khandelwal: I agree with the previous speaker, A lot of the answers were the same
  - iii. Senator McDonough: I am not sure if Hofstra can get a better deal with Compass maybe we can look forward. I asked why they didn't adjust the price overall. But they only increased for parts of food options
  - iv. Senator Stark: I think it went very well and that we are aware of what happened
  - v. Chair Firooz: Lisa is the Marketer and doesn't have any information about the policy she is very proactive and a great admin to work with
  - vi. Senator Connolly-Sisk: I'm not sure what exactly we can do post this meeting.
  - vii. Senator DeBiso: I think we can follow up with them and help them budget for the following year
  - viii. Chair Alameda: I think we can help, because it isn't just compass it is Nassau county as well and find what they can work on and what they cant work on
    - ix. Senator Stark Moves to extend by 5 minutes
    - x. Senator Stark: I want to reiterate the part where we thank them for being here
    - xi. Senator Mcdouonugh: I'm glad anecdotes weren't brought, we should compile them and have them presented as a group
  - xii. Senator Cady: I'm really glad that non-senator students came
- c. S.A.2019.84.012

- i. Survey questions presented by Chair Osner, we put questions in proposed by other Senators. The program will be used by software done by Hofstra so format will be all fixed
  - 1 Senator Ortiz
    - a. Asks about Question 4
      - i. Senator Stark responds I think the issues should be addressed based on the college you are in and it takes away from what classes you want to take. This was brought up by a guest from last year because Hofstra requires a lot from distribution courses.
  - 2. Chair Osner moves for a 20 minute unmoderated caucus at the table
    - a. Motion seconded and Passed
- ii. Chair Osner talks about question 1 Smoking ban on campus
  - 1. Senator Fletcher
    - a. Thinks it is invasive asking questions about smoking on campus to other students
  - 2. Senator Cady
    - a. It is against school rules to smoke on SOuth Side
  - 3. Chair Firooz
    - a. It is a cultural aspect to smoke on campus
  - 4. Chair Alameda
    - a. There are effects from people who don't smoke
  - 5. Chair Osner
    - a. Issue about this question is the rule about the ban and is Public Safety going to enforce it and how will it be enforced
  - 6. Senator Stark
    - a. I think asking it is hard but why
  - 7. Chair Firooz
    - a. We asked this question previously and it is hard to defend it
  - 8. Senator Khandelwal
    - a. Second hand smoke has been linked to people who smoke
  - 9. Senator Cady
    - a. They had an asthma attack because people were smoking on the south side near the Public Safety Building
  - 10. Chair Osner
    - a. Talks about the location of the ban it states that it is anywhere on the Hofstra University property
  - 11. Senator Fletcher
    - a. I think putting this on the whole question is hard
  - 12. Chair Alameda
    - a. I think that it is too late and we should give feedback back and have them make the question better and put it in another survey
  - 13. Talks about the Meal Point Question

a. Is the GoFeedMe going to be a good idea or not and if other students were going to share their meal plan

## 14. Senator Connolly-Sisk

a. I think that wording the question about with the meal plans is hard

### 15 Chair Alameda

a. I think that this question is misleading

## 16. Senator Ortiz

a. I think going from a big plan to no plan is hard and we should have an in between question

## 17. Senator McDouongh

a. I think that this question isn't important

### 18. Senator Fletcher

a. I tried to ask about a venmo system for meal point but I will try again with VP Fibiani

## 19. Senator McDonough

- a. I think question 11 should be struck
- b. I don't think this column is good

### 20. Senator Fletcher

a. I put it in the question because i had this previously and wanted to pursue it again based on the fine of not carrying your ID

### 21. Senator Cady

a. I think the argument is good because it shows that fine is a bad idea unless we have something that is backing up the data

## 22. Senator Battipaglia

a. I think that it is good because it is based on the results of people having the ID and leaving it somewhere else

### 23. Senator Cady

a. Is the A/C units also there for heating?

### 24. Chair Alameda

a. I think that this is confusing and we should have an example part.

## 25. Senator Cady

a. I think it is a commitment that it hasn't been signed yet

### 26. Chair Osner

a. This questions was added by SGA Advisor Denise if you want to strike it you can

## 27. Senator Ortiz

a. There are all these classes that need to be changed but I don't know if the question is related to the amount of classes

## 28. Senator Mcdounougn

a. How is the wording done for the question

### 29. Senator Stark

- a. Why would you strike that questions
- 30. Senator Jack
  - a. Mainly because it the liberal arts college

### 31. VP Dimes

a. These surveys have come out over time and they were not answered and making changes to the schedule and adding a new common hour and how to make classes overlap with each other on Monday, Wednesday, Friday or Tuesday, Thursday. Mainly because it is hard to get across campus when you have classes back to back

## 32. Senator Cady

- a. Moves to extend unmoderated caucus by 7 minutes
- b. Motion seconded and passed
- 33. Senator Stark
  - a. I think there is value in the questions because there is H-Class
- 34. Senator Fletcher
  - a. I think we should have the fill in the boix of what major you are in
- 35. Senator Khandelwal
  - a. I think we can merge 2 questions because they are very similar
- 36. Chair Osner
  - a. I think the classes are hard for distribution
- 37. Chair Firooz
  - a. The state manages what distribution you need to get the degree you want also if I study something, the states is the one that finalizes the degree I don't know how the class and the program will be counted
- 38 Senator Stark
  - a. I think we can fix the wording
- 39. Chair Firooz
  - a. I think we can fix it by asking what classes you're taking
- 40. Senator Stark
  - a. I think we can move away from that question
- 41. Chair Osner
  - a. We have a survey again in the spring and we can put these in the survey
- 42. Senator Ortiz
  - a. I think that it is a case by case need and you will not fill the needs of other student s
- 43. Senator Stark
  - a. I think that HCLAS is so big that it is hard to modify it
- 44. Chair Alameda

- a. The states mandates it and it is hard to work with the requirements
- 45. Senator Stark
  - a. I think it is hard based on my major and how we work with it.
- 46. Senator Ortiz
  - a. How do we handle it if people don't take that many courses
- 47. Senator Stark adds speaking time 5 people
  - a. Motion seconded and nayed
    - i. By a vote of 10-14-2 that motion does not pass
- 48. Senator Fletcher mvos to strike question 5
  - a. Motion seconded and passed
- 49. Chair Osner
  - a. Moves to have wording changed in question 3
    - i. Motion Seconded and passed
- 50. Senator Fletcher
  - a. Hold a straw poll about keeping question 11
- 51. Senator McDonough
  - a. Moves to strike part of question 11
    - i. Motion seconded and passed
- 52. Senator Battipaglia
  - a. Do you want to fix the wording now that it is changed
- 53 Senator Fletcher
  - a. No it is fine
- 54. Senator Debiso
  - a. They can't find you to submit the request for 24 hours
- 55 Senator Greco
  - a. Violation leads to a fine no matter what
- 56. Chair Firooz
  - a. Moves to strike the first option in question 4
    - i. Motion Seconded and Objected
- 57. Chair Firooz
  - a. We got this question because how it is enforced and I think the second question is an effect distribution
    - i. Senator McDonough
      - 1. I don't think the purpose is clear
- 58. Chair Alameda Against
  - a. I think saying an effective process sint right because we are getting to an answer saying because I don't think this question because of wording
  - b. Senator Ortiz
    - i. I think the wording is a lot
- 59. Chair Osner For
  - a. We have a lot of questions I think that it can be confusing

- b. Chair Firooz
  - i. If people are confused then we should fix the question and we should move to another questions
- c. Senator McDonough
  - i. How it effective
- 60. Senator Fletcher Against
  - a. I think we should strike the question
  - b. Chair Alameda
    - i. I think we need questions for the survey to help us get data
  - c. Senator Ortiz
    - i. I think having this is effective because it helps us
  - d. Vote to strike part of question 4
    - i. By a vote of 16-11-0 this is now striked from question 4
- 61. Senator Cady
  - i. Motion to strike part of question 3
    - 1. Motion Seconded, Objected, Rescinded
- 62. Senator Alameda
  - a. Motion to add question 10
    - i. Motion seconded and passed
- 63. Chair Osner
  - a. Motion to modify question 10's drop down
    - i. Motion Seconded and Passed
- 64. Senator Fletcher
  - a. Motion to change the dropdown question in 10
    - i. Motion Seconded and passed
- 65. Chair Osner
  - a. Moves to edit Question 12
    - i. Motion Seconded and Passed
- 66. Chair Firooz
  - a. Moves to Pass SA 2019.84.012
    - i. Motion Seconded and Passed

## F. Executive Board Report

- a. President K.Harley
  - i. I think Jack summed it up and it is a great start to meet with compass and thank you to all students for coming, We are an engaged senate, Lisa is very helpful and if you need anything as well as Bruce, If you have a bad experience she will meet with you to help them resolve anything. President Harley is off campus and is still a resource on campus not just VP Dimes. Respect Kaylor's Time she is very busy. If you're having a convo with Kaylor, just keep me in the loop too, especially if you think it's something I should know!
- b. Vice President K.Dimes

- i. We did nothing exciting this week. We'll meet with VP Dougharty and VP St. Leger next week as well as VP Dougharty and Pres. Rabinowitz. A lot we had cleared up was Hofstra policy not compass policy. The town hall will be Nov 14 and it will be in the Greenhouse it will be at 5:30 following with Senate. We are going to have graphics and anything with students reaching out to SGA with any help or needs on Campus.
  - 1. Senator DeBiso
    - a. Is the Town Hall Mandatory
      - i. No, but if you aren't in class we encourage you to come there will be food as well!
    - b. Senator Fletcher
      - i. Voluntold to host the ground rules
- c. Comptroller- R. Bathija
  - i. Report presented by Chair Cote
    - 1. Weekly Allocations meetings are over, we allocated 98% of that, approximately \$100 are left over from that, which will be added to the appeals budget?
    - 2. Senator Battipaglia
      - a. Will we know how many clubs are coming?
        - i. Yes
- d. Secretary- C. Greenberg
  - i. A few things are changing in the office, desks are moving, just let me know if you have anything you want to ask me.

## G. Committee Chair Reports

- a. Appropriations N. Cote
  - i. Some clubs said that they didn't need the funds so they didn't come. Even though Club Hockey was only funded 19% it was because of Budgetary constraints.
    - 1. Senator Fletcher
      - a. Did they ask for more money when they came earlier
        - Yes, they came back but because they were partially funded.
    - 2. Chair Firooz
      - a. What about the Coaches fee?
        - i. We funded in order and the coaches fee wasn't at the top of the list.
    - 3. Senator DeBiso
      - a. What are you going to do that budget allocations are over
        - i. We are going to be working on Policy series updates.
  - ii. Chair Firooz moves to pass the allocations
    - 1. Motion Seconded and passed
  - iii. Senator Connolly-Sisk moves to pass the appropriations minutes
    - 1. Motion seconded, motion passed
- b. Club Relations J. Alameda

- i. No Meeting because of Res Hall Rush with Spirit, the packet for club Leadership packet will be done this week by Senator Ortiz. I met with SGA advisor Denise and went through the storage space, we sorted what belonged to people and what did not have a belonging it was sorted on the walls. We are going to order bins.
- ii. Chair Cote moves to pass club relations minutes
  - 1. Motion passed and seconded
- c. Public Relations R. Rielly
  - i. We have an open house this Saturday 11/9. Met with the chronicle on monday, they seemed very interested in meeting with us in the future. SAW was divided up into other senators and we want to make a video thanking students around campus.
    - 1. Senator Ortiz
      - a. Is there a location for the open house
        - i. Yes it is in the Student Center
    - 2. VP Dimes hits the gavel for the person filming at the meeting
    - 3. Head shots will be sent back to Chair Reilly on Friday 11/8
  - ii. Senator O'Brien moves to pass the Public Relations minutes
- d. Rules Z. Farooqui
  - i. In Rules we cleaned out the archives file cabinet and saw SA 2019.84.012
  - ii. Chair Cote moves to pass the Rules minutes
    - 1. Motion Seconded, Motion Passed
- e. Spirit D. Firooz
  - i. No Formal Minutes
  - ii. The poster was a success and people bought stuff for the bookstore.
  - iii. Tomorrow Friday 11/8 It is first gen day and we will be tabling for that.
  - iv. Let's make sure we keep signing up for the future, Chair Firooz still has plenty of tickets please see her if you want a ticket. We have 750 tickets. We have lots of shirts as well.
  - v. Senator Connely-sisk
    - 1. Do you need help with the tailgate?
      - a. Yes
    - 2. Senator McClusky
      - a. Will Appropations be able to go to the tailgate?
        - i. Yes there will be a break during budget appeals to stop by
- f. Student Services A. Osner
  - i. Chair Alameda presents the minutes for Chair Osner
    - 1. Looks like they did a lot as always
    - 2. Questions were submitted to rules and will be seen tonight 11/7.
    - 3. Wants help with student outreach
    - 4. Had a meeting with SAS (Student Access Services) it went very well
    - 5. Talked about trying to get Fresh foods in the pride pantry which is going to be very hard because staff would need special training and equipment.

- 6. We have a garden near Stuyvesant located on the south side of the building
- 7. Dates for Student Appreciation Week is Nov 18-22
- 8. There will be a competition for the survey Prizes are coming soon
- ii. Senator Khandelwal
  - 1. Moves to pass the Student Services minutes
- iii. Senator Mcdounough moves to reinstate the Minutes
  - 1. Motion seconded and passed
- H. For Good of the Order
- I. Announcements
- J. Snap Cup
  - a. Chair Alameda Moves to Adjourn
    - i. Motion Seconded and Passed
      - 1. Meeting adjourned at 10:28 PM

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Call to order at 6:35PM

- A. Quorum Call
- **B.** Special Business
  - a. Mid-Semester Reports
    - i. Appropriations Chair Cote motioned for recess at 7:11pm
    - ii. Meeting called back to order at 7:23 pm
  - b. Senate Real Talk
    - i. Comments
      - 1. Spirit Chair Firooz
        - a. Remember to encourage each other, and don't hinder each other and make informed discussions, regardless of your personal views. If you disagree with anything, go ahead and debate
- C. Approval of Senate Minutes from October, 24 2019
- D. Approval of Cabinet Minutes from October 30, 2019
- E. New Business
  - a. Initiatives Presentation
    - i. Hempstead Initiative with Senator Mobley
      - 1. Very little outreach at Hempstead High School and the Hempstead community is unhappy and we want to improve the relationship and you can't have an unhappy community
        - a. We want to do more with the Hempstead tutoring program
        - b. Working with Anita Ellis
        - c. Working with shake a rake to give back to the community
      - 2. Questions
        - a. Senator O'Brien
          - i. Do you bring your own rake (BYOR)?
            - 1. No, you get gloves and rake and work with other clubs. Raked the leaves bag it and get rid of it
        - b. Senator Fletcher
          - i. Are you looking for more policy or community?
            - When we do events, I want to work the Hempstead Community, We help them so it would make it better. I want to see what I can do as service chair.
        - c. Senator Stark
          - i. If the Hempstead High School have an SGA, should we talk to them?

- 1. Yeah, that's a great idea!
- d. Spirit Chairperson Firooz
  - i. Have you thought of working with Barack Obama School as well?
    - 1. That's an excellent idea, we'd like to make this the best we can!
- e. Senator Fletcher
  - i. Volunteer stuff can we work with other universities, especially with the tutoring, and get a reward after you help out with community service
- f. Club Relations Chair Alameda
  - i. Have we considered reaching out to local politicians to help out as well. There are also several Hofstra related Outreach Programs which we could also utilize.
- ii. Accessibility Initiative with Senators Cady and Kaludis
  - 1. Accessibility has been defined as 'The quality of being easy to obtain or use'. Our goals are to improve Easier access to buildings, Improving the shuttle, and Bettering the reporting system.
  - 2. We really want to see things like the Shuttle be easy to use for all students, not just students that need accessibility services.
  - 3. We are going to be talking with Public Safety and Student Access Services, also we are holding admin accountable on promises regarding the reporting system and continue working on other past years.
  - 4. Questions
    - a. Comptroller Bathija
      - i. What are some goals that you are working on?
        - 1. Improving access to buildings, the Shuttle services, the reporting system, having more administration meetings
    - b. Senator Hotaling
      - i. Have you looked at what other Universities have done?
        - 1. I love that perspective and will continue looking into it.
    - c. Senator McCluskey
      - i. How do you see the Shuttle being changed?
        - Using an Expanded schedule, making it ADA standards, and making the spreadsheet much clearer.
    - d. Senator Hotaling
      - i. Have we looked at other schools shuttle system?
        - 1. I do have notes of other campuses to show and see what they do
    - e. Chair Alameda

- i. Are all the shuttles ADA accessible?
  - 1. No they are not
- f. Chair Alameda
  - i. Neither are the bookshelves in the library, because they are 4 inches short of the space required by law, you could look at that during your meeting
- iii. Sustainability with Senator Walker and Associate Welch
  - Reduce, Reuse, Recycle: Bins dedicated for certain bins, Utensils, containers, etc. We want to educate people to use the recycle bins, If you do not know what to do then just throw it in the trash. Looked at the Hempstead Center about the recycling for example they have a Christmas Tree station and Mattress section. The availability of single use utensils, limit the plastic but they are recyclable.
  - 2. Making colder water available as an incentive to not buy water bottles in the student center Refill, Use the filling stations which helps by using reusable water bottles.
  - 3. Composting station to decompose food, which could be used in the community garden
  - 4. Sprinkler efficiency, They water the sidewalks and over water them which kills the plants.
  - 5. Plant Care: as an arboretum, we should care for out plants
  - 6. Lead in water: Studies show dangerous levels of lead in our water, which is highly dangerous.
  - 7. Net 0 Commitment: beneficial for Hofstra economically and socially, while being necessary for the planet.
    - a. Increases retention rates, increases student dignity about going to a university that invests in the climate
    - b. Economically, investing in renewables will save money in the future
    - c. In terms of press, this is a huge win, and increases our profile
  - 8. Our plans
    - a. Meeting with Dean of Students
    - b. SAW
      - i. Reusable Menstrual products
      - ii. Promoting Paper straws, reusable totes and how it affects the oceans
      - iii. Reusable water bottles
    - c. Meet with clubs
      - i. Try to ask for clubs' support
    - d. Start pushing net 0
      - i. Advocate amongst the study body
      - ii. Poll Students

- 1. How do they feel about reusable utensils and using paper plates in dining halls
- iii. Proper Recycling Awareness
  - 1. How to recycle: fun but educational classes and events
  - 2. Signs on bins outlining what is recyclable
- iv. Bike Classes
  - 1. Want to encourage riding and bike and want to teach people.

## 9. Questions

- a. Senator Khandelwal
  - i. What exactly is the Net 0 Initiative?
    - 1. Mitigating Plan is to make sure Climate Change does not negatively affect your university
    - 2. Going Net 0 commit to making sure that all their energy comes from renewable sources, making buses electric,
      - a. Whatever sources of emissions a university cannot use renewably, they offset by some other method
    - 3. Assures that Sustainability becomes an ethic of the school
    - 4. Green Officer liaison between the organization that runs the Net 0 initiative and the university
- b. Club Relations Chair Alameda
  - i. Potential to make lids 'ask-only' for cups and ramen stations
  - ii. Hofstra should look at the contracts so other people do not need to reorder items twice
- c. Comptroller Bathija
  - i. Potential to remove straws
  - ii. Potential to use cardboard containers instead of plastic in the Salad Bar
- d. Senator O'Brien
  - i. Do you know who did the research for the lead in the water and if it was a student?
    - 1. Yes, it is a student, but I will look and find out who it is.
- e. Senator DeBiso
  - i. Who would take care of the compost?
    - 1. Potentially the sustainability club
- f. Senator Fletcher

i. Incentive program, for recycling? Ex, Getting money back for depositing the water bottles back.

### g. Senator O'Brien

 i. Senator McCarthy tried to do something with this last year, and you should reach out to her if you have any questions

### h. Vice President Dimes

- i. Do you know how much extra they charge if they charged for the bottles fee?
  - 1. No

## i. Rules Chair Farooqui

i. It might be a New York State Law, but when you buy a soda can or plastic bottle, there is a 10 cent deposit on it, and whenever you return it, you get the deposit back

## j. Chair Alameda

i. We did have a green officer on campus but they left, we should look into getting them back.

### k. Senator DeBiso

- i. For the recycling bins, do you know what they do with it?
  - 1. It is more bins for them and they just put the recycle in the trash after it was tossed.
- 1. We need to reduce the use of plastic that we produce on campus.

## F. Executive Board Report

- a. President K. Harley
- b. Vice President K. Dimes
- c. Comptroller- R. Bathija
- d. Secretary- C. Greenberg

## G. Committee Chair Reports

- a. Appropriations N. Cote
  - i. Chair Farooqui moves to pass Allocations
    - 1. Motion Seconded and passed
  - ii. Senator Colon moves to pass Appropriations Minutes
    - 1. Motion Seconded, passed
- b. Club Relations J. Alameda
  - i. Senator Ortiz moves to pass Club Relations Minutes
    - 1. Motion Seconded, Passed
- c. Public Relations R. Rielly
  - i. Senator moves to pass Public Relations Minutes
    - 1. Motion Seconded, passed
- d. Rules Z. Farooqui
  - i. Senator moves to pass Rules Minutes
    - 1. Motion Seconded and passed

- e. Spirit D. Firooz
  - i. Senator O'Brien moves to pass Spirit Minutes
    - 1. Motion Seconded and passed
- f. Student Services A. Osner
  - i. Senator Hotaling moves to pass Student Services Minutes
    - 1. Motion Seconded and passed
- H. Halloween Activity
- I. For Good of the Order
- J. Announcements
- K. Snap Cup
  - a. Chair Osner moves to adjourn the meeting
    - i. Meeting adjourned at 9:50 PM

## Cabinet Agenda

# Dean of Students Conference Room November 6th, 2019

- I. Call to Order Meeting called to order at 8:07 PM
- II. Pres/VP Updates
  - A. OSLE Panel
    - OSLE reached out and wanted help with a panel, about how to get involved, and being active on campus. There will be questions that students should answer. November 20th During Common Hour.
  - B. Looping Kathryn in
    - 1. Kathryn is off-campus three days a week. If there is an issue on campus and if you need to get in touch with Kathryn please don't hesitate to reach out to her.
  - C. Master doc of forms
    - 1. Submitting work requests and making all documents easier to find and use to submit to Secretary.
  - D. Compass
    - 1. Compass is coming to SGA on Thursday November 7th, please bring people or spread it to other students.
- III. Comptroller Updates
  - A. We are not broke, all allocations meeting are over, we had \$53,115.00 set aside for weekly allocations, we have allocated 98% of the \$53,115.00. We need to make sure we are using the right language when we are talking to other people in SGA or other clubs on campus. SGA does not owe anybody money.
- IV. Secretary Updates
  - A. Had meeting with Denise, met with Mary instead, did a walk around in the SGA office to look at items that need to be ordered.
    - 1. Secretary's desk is going
    - 2. Conference space is going in that area
      - a) Will order on WB Mason
    - 3. Need to use the printer in the office, it works!
      - a) No electricity in the Secretary's office, therefore can't use the computer to print

## b) If you can use the printer, use it!

### V. Chair Check-Ins

- A. Appropriations
  - 1. Saw 4 clubs this week, moving forward we are going to be looking at policy
- B. Club Relations
  - 1. No Official Minutes
- C. Public Relations
  - 1. Met with Taylor and wasn't sure of what happened. She was told that she was going to the meetings and found out that she wasn't in presence. They stated that nobody is going to be coming to the meetings.
- D. Chair Firooz moves to have a closed session
  - 1. Motion seconded and passed at 8:55 pm
- E. Chair Farooqui moves to end the closed session
  - 1. Motion seconded and passed at 9:45 pm
- F. Rules
  - 1. Saw questions for Compass Group
  - 2. Cleaned out SGA drawer from past years
- G. Spirit
  - 1. No Official Minutes
- H. Student Services
  - 1. Survey questions will be at Senate 11/7
  - 2. University Senate sent Chair Osner has questions to add to the Survey at Senate
  - 3. Talked about garden outside Stuyvesant Hall
  - 4. Initiative updates from this week
  - 5. Bird Sanctuary clean up there were lots of trash there.
- VI. For Good of the Order
- VII. Adjournment
  - A. Vice President Dimes moves to Adjourn
    - 1. Motion Seconded and Passed
      - a) Meeting adjourned at 10:34 PM

# Hofstra University Student Government Association

## Two Thousand and Nineteen

# S.A.2019.84.012 SGA Survey Fall 2019

- 1. Would you utilize reusable silverware in the Student Center instead of the plastic utensils?
  - a. Yes, I would utilize silverware instead of plastic utensils.
  - b. No, I prefer plastic utensils.
- 2. Are you aware that you can request to have a reusable plate as opposed to a take-out container when dining-in at the Student Center?
  - a. Yes, I'm aware of this option
  - b. No, I was unaware of this option
- 3. As of this year, 434 different colleges and universities have signed on with Second Nature pledging to become Carbon Neutral. (Carbon Neutral: any emissions that are not directly cut have to be offset by investment in carbon reduction projects elsewhere. For example, planting trees.)

As of this time, Hofstra has not made a commitment to being Carbon Neutral. As a student of this University, How important do you feel it is for Hofstra to go Carbon Neutral by 2050?

- a. Very important
- b. Somewhat important
- c. Not extremely important
- d. Not important
- e. I have no opinion
- 4. How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

	Strongl y Agree	Somewhat Agree	Neither Agree Nor Disagree	Somewhat Disagree	Strongly Disagre e	
I am satisfied with the distribution courses at Hofstra	О	О	О	О	О	-

- 5. Have you ever had to use personal funds for an academic project/endeavor (i.e. internships, conferences, school projects, travel costs)?
  - a. Yes, more than I would have liked
  - b. Yes, but a minimal amount
  - c. No

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d.	Not	App	lıcat	ıle

Prices of food and drinks on campus

6.	Do the	Hofstra shuttle services ac	commodate y	our needs?			
	a.	Yes	·				
	b.	Somewhat					
	c.	No					
	d.	I do not use the Hofstra S	Shuttle				
7.	[IF Q7	= <b>b or c</b> ] In what ways doe	s the Hofstra	shuttle not r	neet your needs?	(Check all th	at apply)
	a.	Accessibility			•		11 2/
	b.	Times offered					
	c.	Days offered					
	d.	Stops on the route					
	e.	Other (please specify:			_)		
8. 9.	interest a. b.	tly, the shopping shuttle is ted in having the shuttle of Yes  No	fered for shop	-	•	nday. Would y	ou be
9.	поw sa	atisfied are you with the fol	•				
			Very	Somewh	Neither	Somewhat	Strongly
			Satisfied	at	Satisfied Nor	Dissatisfie	Dissatisfie
				Satisfied	Dissatisfied	d	d
Dining	g option	s on campus	O	0	O	О	О
Prices	of food	and drinks on campus	O	O	О	O	О

10. Please answer the following questions about residence halls. If you do not live on campus, select N/A for each question.

	Yes	No	N/A
Do you feel that the AC units in the dorms are adequate?	О	O	О
Would you like to see the university implement temperature-controlled AC units in every dorm on campus?	O	О	О

O O O Are you aware that there is a \$25 fine every time a student enters their residence hall without their Hofstra ID?

- 11. Which of the following currently describes your current situation?
  - a. I have too many meal points
    - i. If there was a system for you to offer meal points to students, would you use it?
      - 1. Yes
      - 2. No
  - b. I have don't have enough meal points
  - c. I have a sufficient amount of meal points
  - d. I don't have a meal plan

Respectfully Submitted,

Alexa Osner Duncan Cady Khiya Connolly-Sisk Senator Senator

Student Services Chair

Guinevere Walker George Kaludis Maria Mobley

Senator Senator Senator

# Appropriations Committee Minutes F19 Weekly Meeting 8 11/5/19

**Meeting Commenced** 6:03 PM

Attendance

Attended Chairman N. Cote

Comptroller R. Bathija Senator G. Khandelwal Senator J. McCluskey Associate A. Liebowitz

Visiting: Vice President Dimes

Chairwoman Osner Senator Battipaglia Senator Mobley Senator Rose

Senator Jiminez-Ortiz

Absent: Senator L. Monono (Excused)

I. Hofstra ESports

A. Item One: Fully fundedB. Item Two: Fully fundedC. Item Three: Fully funded

II. Women's Club Lacrosse

A. Item One: Fully funded

B. Item Two: Fully funded

III. Women's Club Rugby

A. Item One: Fully funded

IV. Club Ice Hockey

A. Item One: Partially funded - Budgetary restrictions

B. Item Two: Not funded - Budgetary restrictions

C. Item Three: Not Funded - Budgetary restrictions

D. Item Four: Not Funded - Budgetary restrictions

Week 8	Club Name:	Items:	Requested	Allocated	Percent Allocated
(11/5/2019)	Hofstra Esports	Pizza Party	\$ 120.39	\$ 120.39	
		ProGuide Coaching	\$ 96.00	\$ 96.00	
		4ft Long Power Script	\$ 42.99	\$ 42.99	
			Total	\$ 259.38	100.00%
	Women's Club Lacrosse	NEWLL/WCLA Dues	\$ 750.00	\$ 750.00	
			Total	\$ 750.00	100.00%
	Women's Club Rugby	Travel Costs	\$ 573.04	\$ 573.04	
			Total	\$ 573.04	100.00%
	Club Ice Hockey	CHF/ECHC Fees	\$ 6,600.00	\$ 4,700.00	
		Coaching Fees	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 0.00	
		Practice Slots	\$ 7,150.00	\$ 0.00	
		Game Slots	\$ 2,750.00	\$ 0.00	
			Total	\$ 4,700.00	19.58%
			Total Requested	Total Allocated	Percentage Allocated
			\$ 25,582.42	\$ 6,282.42	24.56%

# **Club Relations Minutes**

F19 Weekly Meeting 7 11/04/19

Meeting Commenced 6:30 PM

**Attendance** 

Attended Senator Wiley Fletcher

Senator Tara Stark

Senator Gisselle Ortiz-Jimenez

Senator Antonella Colon Senator Ariyanna Hrivnak Chair Joey Alameda

## Absent

- Res Hall Rush

- Packet for club leader training to be finished this week
- I need help from anyone who likes to organize in the storage closet

Meeting Adjourned 9 PM

Respectfully Submitted,
Joey Alameda

# **Public Relations Minutes**

Fall 2019 Weekly Meeting 8 11/5/19

## **Meeting Commenced** 6:31 pm

**SGA Conference Room** 

Attendance

Attended: Senator Bernice Aquino

Senator Antonella Colon Senator Maria Mobley Senator David O'Brien Senator Kyla Surajbali Chairwoman Rosaria Rielly

Absent: Associate Arriana Liebowitz (excused)

### 1. Maria Presents about her Service Chair PPT

- a. Has a timeline of events she wants to implement with one event per month
- b. Implementing a legislation requiring a service hour
  - i. Maybe doing more than one hour but record time by events
- c. Set up for future chairs to have set events then expect different events each year

## 2. Signups

- a. PUW Tabling
- b. Elections
- c. Basketball games
- d. Open house Saturday 10:15am- 12:15pm

## 3. Compass coming on Thursday

- a. Come up with questions to ask
  - i. Address hours of operation
- b. Live story updates on Thursday with question/ answer
- c. Make graphics with highlights

### 4. The Chronicle

- a. Met with Taylor on Monday
- b. Rep going forward
- c. Cross promotion

## 5. PR Committee roles going forward

- a. Having us or other committees working on promotion
- b. Google form idea with all options for promotion clear
  - i. Have exact colors they want
  - ii. Exact wording and design ideas
  - iii. Set a deadline of when this would be needed
- c. Have the exact budget made for flyer

### 6. SAW

a. Video script with senate this week

- i. Kathryn and Kaylor say an opening line
- ii. Each committee promotes a day's event
  - 1. Student Services introduces the week/ the survey
- b. Ideas for promotion
  - i. Calendar
    - 1. Rosaria
  - ii. Weekly events
    - 1. Mon: Anto
    - 2. Tue: David
    - 3. Wed: Kyla
    - 4. Thurs: Bernice
    - 5. Fri: Maria
  - iii. "Happy Student Appreciation Week" Poster
    - 1. Bernice
- c. Share finished Canva's to my personal email

Meeting Adjourned 7:29pm

Respectfully Submitted, Rosaria Rielly Public Relations Chairwoman

## Rules Committee Minutes F19 Weekly Meeting #8 11/4/19

## Meeting Commenced 6:30 PM

Attendance

Attended Associate Manni Doan

Senator Celeste Battipaglia Senator Angela Greco Senator Gopal Khandelwal Senator Jack McDonough

Senator Bryan Perez

Senator Kelly Rose

Chairman Zain Farooqui

### Absent

- I. Introduction
- II. S.A.2019.84.012 Student Appreciation Week Survey Questions
  - A. Senator McDonough moves to pass S.A.2019.84.012
    - 1. By a vote of 6-0-1, that motion passes
- III. Questions for Compass Dining at Senate
  - A. What has been the average price increase in products around campus? Why?
  - B. Prices for the Asian Station have gone up by 1 cent or so at a time but last month, the price per ounce went from 0.47 cents to 0.50 cents. What is causing the rampant price increases?
- IV. Cleared Out the SGA Archives
- V. Adjournment

Meeting Adjourned 8:20 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Zain Farooqui

Rules Chairman

# **Student Services Committee Minutes**

Weekly Meeting #8 11/4/19

Meeting Commenced 7:49 PM

### Attendance

Attended

**Senator Connolly-Sisk** 

Senator Kaludis Senator Mobley Senator Walker Associate Alladin Associate Welch

Visitor VP Dimes

Absent Senator Cady

- 1. What did you go as for Halloween?
- 2. Sign ups
  - a. Club elections
  - b. PUW tabling
- 3. SAW
  - a. Survey questions
  - b. Updates:
    - i. Sustainability- Ben, Gigi
      - 1. Ben went to USenate subcommittee
        - a. There is faculty support for sustainable projects
          - i. They need help with student outreach with the data they have collected in terms of sustainability
        - b. Will contact Dom Lavin about garden
        - c. Beth wants to discuss the garden as well
        - d. Researching bamboo cutlery
    - ii. Hempstead- Maria, Aafia, Khiya
      - 1. Anita meeting next week
    - iii. Accessibility- Duncan, George
      - 1. SAS meeting tomorrow
      - 2. Denise meeting next week
  - c. Schedule (November 18th 22nd)
    - i. Monday Dean of Students event, sustainability
      - 1. Vegan pastries
      - 2. Straws Gigi

- 3. Water Bottles
- ii. Tuesday Student Health
  - 1. Diva cups to raffle off
  - 2. Student health kits- hand sanitizer, vitamin-C, facemasks, a self-care note on the unispan
- iii. Wednesday Access to healthy food
  - 1. Meeting with Beth McGuire
  - 2. Pots with seeds herbs and flowers
- iv. Thursday SGA dinner (5:45 PM), Nugget night with RHA
- v. Friday trivia/game promote hempstead tutoring and promote the movie that weekend with EU (Spiderman FFH)
- d. Finalized Orders by Wednesday
- 4. Service Chair- Maria Mobley
  - a. Presentation
  - b. Shake-a-rake
  - c. Bird Sanctuary

# Meeting Adjourned

8:49 **pm** 

Respectfully Submitted,

Alexa Osner Student Services Chair