

# STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

 HOFSTRA UNIVERSITY



## **Agenda of the 80<sup>th</sup> Senate** Hofstra University Student Government Association February 25, 2016 Green House, David S. Mack Student Center

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### Call to Order

- I. **Quorum Call**
- II. **Approval of Senate Minutes from February 11, 2016**
- III. **Approval of the Cabinet Minutes from February 24, 2016**
- IV. **Old Business**
  - A. Passing the Public Relations Minutes from February 8, 2016
- V. **Special Business**
  - A. **Passing the Student Government Association Constitution and Policy Series**
- VI. **Executive Board Reports**
  - A. President—A. Guarino
  - B. Vice President—D. Gallagher
  - C. Comptroller—G. Senderowicz
  - D. Secretary Pro Tempore—A. Goldstein
- VII. **Committee Chair Reports**
  - A. Appropriations—E. Casey
  - B. Club Relations—L. Solis
  - C. Public Relations—W. Shepherd
  - D. Rules—N. Mishkin
  - E. Spirit—S. Harris
  - F. Student Services—R. Cinquemani
- VIII. **For the Good of the Order**
- IX. **Announcements**
- X. **Snap Cup**

### Adjournment

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## **Minutes of the 80<sup>th</sup> Senate** **Hofstra University Student Government Association** **February 11, 2016** **Green House, David S. Mack Student Center**

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This meeting was called to order at 18:07 on Thursday, February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

**I. Quorum Call**

- A. President Guarino
- B. Vice President Gallagher
- C. Secretary Pro Tempore Goldstein
- D. Comptroller Senderowicz
- E. Chairperson Casey
- F. Chairperson Cinquemani
- G. Chairperson Mishkin
- H. Chairperson Solis
- I. Chairperson Shepherd
- J. Chairperson Harris
- K. Senator Bekios
- L. Senator Craig
- M. Senator Durand
- N. Senator Esteban
- O. Senator Gardner
- P. Senator Kutsch
- Q. Senator Markakis
- R. Senator Martin
- S. Senator Monroy
- T. Senator Narain
- U. Senator Normandin
- V. Senator Tacconnelli
- W. Senator Tadbiri
- X. Senator Valerio
- Y. Senator Wright

**II. Approval of Senate Minutes from February 4, 2016**

- A. Motion to Pass Senate Minutes from 02/04/2016
  - i. Motion seconded
  - ii. Motion passes

**III. Approval of the Cabinet Minutes from February 10, 2016**

- A. Motion to Pass Cabinet Minutes from 2/10/2016
  - i. Motion seconded
  - ii. Motion passes

**IV. New Business**

- A. Recognizing Womens' Club Softball
  - i. Summary:

- 1. Hofstra womens' club softball is an already-running team that wishes to gain recognition through Student Government Association to assist with the increased demand that they have seen for their team. As the team continues to expand, the club hopes to be supported via SGA.

2. Womens' softball sees this opportunity to not only assist with their current members, but to promote the attention of new members as well.
- ii. Questions for *Hofstra Women's Club Softball*
  1. "How are the arrangements for the club so far?"
    - a. Answer: A coach has been selected and is current going through the process to be cleared via the university. Additionally, many members of the team are former captains of their own respective teams, so there is internal expertise as well.
  2. "Is there an attendance policy? Additionally, how are the teams made?"
    - a. Answer: To be able to compete in a tournament for the week, an individual must be at two practices for the week. In regard to the teams, the club attempts to fairly and evenly distribute who plays as much as they can.
  3. "What would recognition mean to you?"
    - a. Answer: recognition would allow this club to grow, both with members and in quality. The potential funds that could be acquired through SGA would go to new equipment as well as transportation, and attachment of SGA onto a club has great power with recruitment.
  4. "Does the team already have amenities?"
    - a. Answer: The team does have equipment, and currently carools via team members' vehicles to games. This is a system that would be refined upon recognition.
- iii. Speaker One For *Hofstra Women's Softball*
  1. This is a positive means for Hofstra students to stay involved within the campus and also stay physically active. Hofstra students typically enjoy club sports and this would be no different, especially with previously-seen traction.
- iv. Speaker One Against *Hofstra Women's Softball*
  1. The rigidity of the schedule is offputting for recognition; the club should not be recognized now, but rather later when it has become more organized and established.
- v. Speaker Two For *Hofstra Women's Softball*
  1. Based on Title IX mandates, since the Boys Club Baseball team is recognized by SGA, the softball team should have the same privilege.
- vi. Vote to Recognize Hofstra Women's Club Softball
  1. With a vote of 13:4:4, *Hofstra Women's Club Softball* will now be recognized by Student Government Association.

## V. Executive Board Reports

### E. President—A. Guarino

- a. Attendance to the 2/20/16 leadership conference is strongly encouraged. Individuals who wish to attend may sign up online through the Hofstra,edu website.
- b. Sign-up sheets passed for various events, including student center tabling, Spring Open House event days, FaceTime with SGA.
  - i. Attendance for these events is encouraged; some events will additionally be counted as office hours.
- c. Banquet will be occurring on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of April: Those of whom would wish to attend may submit a \$20 deposit to President Guarino by Thursday, 02/18. Tickets will be between \$50-65. Event location will be revealed at a later date. Theme of the event is *The Great Gatsby*.
- d. First official Paper Plate Award
  - i. Award given to Senator A. Normandin

### F. Vice President—D. Gallagher

- a. President Rabinowitz is pursuing the usage of Hofstra's increase in financial assets, via new buildings such as a new Engineering building and an additional Business building.
- b. Adams Playhouse will be receiving new renovations; Hofstra North Shore – LIJ Northwell Medical School will be changing its name, and has been receiving a large amount of traffic and publicity.
- c. All of SGA must be trained on Title IX protocol via Lara, the Title IX coordinator.
- d. Ban on smoking cigarettes on the north side of campus is still under review: after speaking with VP Jessica Eads, as well as other administrators, SGA is still providing pushback towards this initiative.

### G. Comptroller—G. Senderowicz – N/A

### H. Secretary Pro Tempore – A. Goldstein- N/A

## VI. Committee Chair Reports

### A. Appropriations—E. Casey

- i. Motion to Pass Appropriations Minutes from 2/09/16
  1. Motion seconded
  2. Motion passes

### B. Club Relations—L. Solis

- i. Motion to Pass Club Relations Minutes from 02/08/16

1. Motion seconded
2. Motion passes
- C. Public Relations—W. Shepherd
  - i. Motion to Pass Public Relations Minutes from 02/08/16
    1. Motion seconded
    2. Motion passes
- D. Rules—N. Mishkin
  - i. Motion to Pass Rules Minutes from 02/08/16
    1. Motion seconded
    2. Motion passes
- E. Spirit—Mr. Wright
  - i. Motion to Pass Spirit Minutes from 02/10/16
    1. Motion seconded
    2. Motion passes
- F. Student Services—C. Pollock
  - i. Motion to Pass Student Services Minutes from 02/10/16
    1. Motion seconded
    2. Motion passes

**VII. For the Good of the Order**

**VIII. Announcements**

**IX. Snap Cup**

**This meeting has been adjourned at 19:47.**

**Hofstra University's  
Student Government Association  
Cabinet Meeting Agenda  
February 24, 2016  
Davison Room 104**

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- Meeting called to order at 11:16 AM
- I. Attendance
- II. Reflection and Gratitude Journal
- III. Presidential updates
  - a. Upcoming Dates
    - i. Talk About Race, Diversity, and Bias: February 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:00PM Monroe Lecture Hall
      - 1. Signed Up: Erin Casey, Lola Solis, Mana Tadbiri, Ashlyn Gardner, Ben Martin, Janet Narain, David Durand, Abby Normandin, Sarah Harris
    - ii. Open House: Sunday, February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at 12:00-14:00, SC Main Dining Room
      - 1. Signed Up: Lola Solis, David Durand, Madison Wright
    - iii. FaceTime with SGA: March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2016
      - 1. Signed Up: Abby Normandin, Max Kutsch
    - iv. Mid-Semester Reports due March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2016
    - v. FaceTime with SGA: March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016
      - 1. Signed Up: Club Relations Committee
    - vi. Open House: Sunday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2016 from 12:00-14:00, Student Center Main Dining Room
      - 1. Signed Up: Sabrina Bekios, Sarah Esteban, David Durand
    - vii. FaceTime with SGA: April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016
      - 1. Signed Up: Dana Craig, Silvia Monroy
    - viii. April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016; 11:00-13:00, Student Center Main Dining Room
      - 1. Signed Up: Lola Solis, Janet Narain
    - ix. Town Hall April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2016 during Common Hour
    - x. Open House: Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2016 from 11:00-13:00, Student Center Main Dining Room
      - 1. Max Kutsch, Natalie Mishkin, Abby Normandin, Whitney Shepherd
  - b. Social Chair Updates:
    - i. Banquet Panning: Ticket Price is \$65/person, \$20 deposit is past due and the remainder of the ticket must be paid in full before April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2016.
    - ii. Paper Plate Award: Nominations were sent in.
  - c. Student Leadership Conference: Rutgers University, March 5<sup>th</sup> 2016.
    - i. SGA members attending: Max, David, Abby, Dana, Mana

- ii. *Now room for two more people to attend on behalf of SGA.*
- d. Gala Update:
  - i. SGA has the opportunity to send 10 members to the 20<sup>th</sup> annual Hofstra University Gala. Senate will write down the names of 10 members in SGA they vote to send to Gala to represent SGA and those members will be notified of their nomination.
  - ii. *The Hofstra University Gala will take place on Thursday, May 5<sup>th</sup>. Ten SGA members will be attending the event.*

#### IV. Vice President Updates

- a. *Student Leadership Awards*
  - i. *Most Accomplished New Club description edited*
  - ii. *Most Inspiring Student Leader description edited*
    - 1. *Each description will be placed online for a public vote, which will be condensed to the top five honorees of each category. At this point, each club will bring a representative and each leader will attend the official awards ceremony.*
    - 2. *Drafts of design for award plaques pending.*
    - 3. *Nomination form will be live on Hofsta.edu/HSLA as of March 2<sup>nd</sup>, and will close on April 2<sup>nd</sup>. Nominees will hear back soon thereafter, and the awards ceremony will take place on May 1<sup>st</sup> from 2-5 PM.*

#### V. Club Congress Feedback

- a. *Preferred Aspects of Club Congress*
  - i. *Chairperson Shepherd: Breakout sections were efficiently prepared; contact information was well-done; noted importance of punctuality;*
  - ii. *Vice President Gallagher: Chairperson Solis' introductory speech was excellent; SC 140 rooms were a preferable placement to previously used rooms.*
  - iii. *President Guarino: Lack of technological issues was advantageous to the congress.*
- b. *Things to Improve for the Next Club Congress*
  - i. *Chairperson Mishkin: Turnout was relatively low due to asymmetric information about mandatory nature of clubs.*
  - ii. *Chairperson Solis: Note that many club leaders assumed that email sent via GetInvolvedHU was SPAM, as opposed to being a valid invitation.*
    - 1. *President Guarino: Although there are no direct repercussions to having a club not attend Club Congress, there will be future measures of accountability in the future.*
    - 2. *Vice President Gallagher: Communication ,follow-through is an issue; suggests that multiple emails (requiring response) be sent to the clubs prior to events.*
  - iii. *Chairperson Shepherd: Wishes to improve span of social media; chairs should distribute and allocate fliers , whereas the jurisdiction of Public Relations is solely for the creation of advertisement of materials.*
    - 1. *President Guarino: new calendar for planning*
      - a. *One month before date: Have all logistics planned*
      - b. *Three weeks before date: All advertisements/PR campaigns completely drafted*
      - c. *Two weeks before: Print/prepare/post all advertisements.*

VI. SGA at the Corner Questions

- a. "Would you be in support of expanding the Smoking Ban at Hofstra University to the residential side of campus, making Hofstra a completely smoke-free campus?"
  - i. Question (a) approved
- b. "Do you support stricter enforcement of the smoking ban on South Campus, such as an increase in summons?"
  - i. Question (b): "... Current smoking ban"; "... South Campus (academic side); "... summons (i.e. fines)"
- c. "Would you be in favor of automatically receiving a to-stay plate and only asking for a to-go container when needed?"
  - i. Chairperson Cinquemani will discuss plating alternatives with Dining Services, as well as the initiative to program a "to go" v. "to stay" page on the Cucina and Grill automated kiosk.
  - ii. With a vote of 0:8, Question (c) will be excused from the list.
- d. "Would you utilize a bike share program on just the North side of campus?"
  - i. With a vote of 8:0, Question (d) will be kept on the queue
  - ii. "... North side (residential side)"; "... campus."
  - iii. When voting, specification to include drop-down to display commuter v. residential students
    1. Will reserve 3-4 laptops to administer polling.

VII. Constitution and Policy Series

- a. Constitution will now be more difficult to change (once again via amendments); any implicit parts of constitution have been moved to Policy Series.
  - i. Constitutional Conventions will be held only in the event of a potential amendment initiative.
- b. Club Congress will now be completely at the discretion of the Club Relations chair; will no longer be held semi-annually, but rather upon request of the Club Relations chair.
- c. Advised that each cabinet member read the entire constitution, as well as individually relevant series of information.

VIII. Matters at Hand

- a. Chairperson Solis: Student Leadership Advisory Caucus
  - i. Club members wish for SGA to both support further and work more closely with their respective organizations.
  - ii. Many clubs are looking to request more funds for transportation purposes, so continued requests for these clubs to represent themselves throughout SGA functions is suggested.
- b. Motion to place constitutional approval on the agenda
  - i. With a vote of 8:0, the constitution will be discussed at Senate.

IX. For good of the order

- Meeting adjourned at 12:45 PM

# Public Relations Minutes

February 8, 2016

Attendance: Dana C., Whitney S., Victoria K., Ashlyn G., Danielle B., Sandy L.

Absent: Sam Jean-Louis

Meeting commenced: 6:00 PM

- 1) Special Business
  - a. Club Congress Presentation
    - go over PowerPoint
    - solidify decorations
    - draft handout
  
- 2) Current Projects
  - a. **Why are we social media campaign with headshots! Pick start date –2-9-16**
  - b. **Club Congress Social Media Plan:**
    - i. Instagram: breakout sessions, hopefully we have Instagram sign
    - ii. Live tweeting! Signs encoring live tweeting? Maybe give out a prize? #clubcongress2016 @hofstrasga (can multiple people be on twitter at same time?)
    - iii. Contest winner: pizza party
    - iv. Live Twitter: Danny
    - v. Instagram: Sandy
  - c. **Website Renovations Updates:**
    - i. Bios coming Thursday
    - ii. Go over website check list (Dana/ Ashlyn)

Meeting adjourned: 6:27 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Whitney Shepherd

Public Relations Chairwoman



# Appropriations Minutes

S16 Weekly Meeting 4

2/23/2016

Meeting Commenced 6:15 PM

## Attendance

### Attended

Senator Durand  
Senator Markakis  
Senator Kutsch  
Senator Normandin  
Comptroller Senderowicz  
Chair Casey

## Club Baseball

Requested: \$2,278.43

Baseball bats,Baseballs,Facility Rental at Frozen Ropes,NCBA Spring Training,NCBA Spring Training Fee

Allocated: \$1,757.28

Baseball bats	\$579.98	\$579.98
Baseballs	\$223.45	\$205.00
NCBA Spring Training	\$300.00	\$297.30
NCBA Spring Training Fee	\$675.00	\$675.00

## Hofstra Concerts

Requested: \$5,000.00

Subheadliner for Music Fest

Allocated: \$4,500.00

Subheadliner for Music Fest	\$5,000.00	\$4,500.00
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## Entertainment Unlimited

Requested: \$19,816.23

Lump sum for Music Fest

Allocated: \$3,500.00

Lump sum for Music Fest	\$19,816.23	\$3,500.00
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## Nippon Culture Society

Requested: \$239.16

Food for Maid Café,Tea Ceremony Supplies

Allocated: \$239.16

Tea Ceremony Supplies	\$77.16	\$77.16
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Food for Maid Café \$162.00 \$162.00

### **Rock Climbing Club**

Requested: \$1,660.42

New York Trailway Tickets,Radios,Rope, Locking Carabiner, and Accessory Chord,Tent

Allocated: \$1,660.42

Radios	\$124.99	\$124.99
Tent	\$199.00	\$199.00
Rope, Locking Carabiner, and Accessory Chord	\$166.43	\$166.43
New York Trailway Tickets	\$1,170.00	\$1,170.00

**Meeting Adjourned 7:45 PM**

**Total Requested \$28,994.24**

**Total Allocated \$11,656.86**

**Percent Allocated 40.20%**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Appropriations Chair Erin Casey

Club Relations Minutes  
February 22<sup>nd</sup> 2016

Attendance: Chairperson Solis, Senator Bekios, Senator Tadbiri  
Absent: Senator Martin

Meeting Commenced: 6:03 PM

1. Club storage space application
  - a. Created application with questions
    - i. Do you currently have an office space?
    - ii. Has your club/organization been allocated any funding for physical items from SGA that need to be stored i.e. banner? If yes does it sufficiently store all of your belongings? If no, what specifically do you need to store in the lockers?
    - iii. Is your club/organization part of a national chapter? If so, does the chapter provide you with supplies that need storage?
    - iv. How would having storage space aid your club? Do items that need storage directly contribute to the function of your club?
  - b. Plan is to send out application Friday and check out storage space next week to order lockers.
2. After applications go out and measurements are taken, we will begin working on club check in's.

Meeting Adjourned 6:49 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Lola Solis

Club Relations Chair

# Public Relations Minutes

February 22, 2016

Attendance: Dana C., Whitney S., Victoria K., Ashlyn G., Danielle B., Sandy L.

Absent: Sam Jean-Louis

Meeting commenced: 6:00 PM

## 3) Special Business

- a. Twitter Winner: Congratulations Creative Genius!
- b. Club Congress Review:  
Pros: sessions were informative, SGA contact sheet, lots of questions from clubs  
Cons: low attendance, no food, skipped out on third session, lack of communication (reminders and event awareness)  
Suggestions: advisor reach out and check in, club office flyers

## 4) Current Projects

### a. SGA Election Campaign ideas

- vi. Sign at voting booth
- vii. "I voted" stickers/buttons/ lollipops
- viii. Student Center Banner
- ix. "Meet & Greet 100 Signatures Event"
  - What: Tabling kicking off event
  - When: Monday @6pm
  - Where: Student Center Atrium table
  - Why: A chance for students to meet SGA and for campaigners to get votes
  - Menu: sweets

### b. Website Renovations Updates:

- i. Working on drafting bios with corresponding headshots

Meeting adjourned: 6:32 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Whitney Shepherd

Public Relations Chairwoman

## **Rules Meeting**

February 22, 2016

Attendance: Chairperson Mishkin, Abby Normandin, Silvia Monroy

Meeting Commenced: 6:30 pm

1. H204Li came for SGA recognition
  - a. Set up a meeting Friday, February 26 to go through constitution
2. Hofstra Model United Nations came to update club constitution
  - a. Did not need to update constitution
3. The Health and Wellness Club did not show up
4. The Roosevelt Institute came to update club constitution
  - a. Passed 3-0
5. Approval of new SGA Constitution and Policy Series per Constitutional Convention

Meeting Adjourned: 7:45 pm

Respectfully submitted,  
Natalie Mishkin  
Rules Chairperson

Spirit Minutes  
February 23rd 2016

Attendance: Chairwomen Harris, Senator Stengel, Senator Tacconelli, Senator Narain, Senator Wright

Meeting commenced: 6:30pm

- I. Committee Initiatives
  - A. Katrina: Sexual Assault Run Roosevelt Institute about helping
  - B. Greg: Club Flea Market
    1. Meeting with Chrissy
- II. Color Run
  - A. Proposal Review
- III. Basketball
  - A. February 27<sup>th</sup> Men's game vs. College of Charleston 4pm
    1. Greg is making a Facebook group
    2. Senate in the arena
    3. Face painting
    4. Pride frame
  - B. National Televised Games
    1. February 27th
- IV. Colonial Athletics Association (CAA)
  - A. March 4-7, 2016 at the Royal Farms Arena in Baltimore, Maryland
  - B. SGA is sponsoring 20-25 student tickets
  - C. It will cost \$30 to go to the Baltimore
  - D. Book your own Hotel
  - E. Waiting on contracts from Karl
  - F. Bring a video camera
- V. Games Schedule
  - A. 02.26 - 7:00 PM WOMEN'S BASKETBALL vs Drexel University
  - B. 02.27 - 12 PM WOMEN'S LACROSSE vs Fairfield University James M. Shuart Stadium
  - C. 02.27 - 3:00 PM MEN'S LACROSSE vs Princeton University James M. Shuart Stadium
  - D. 02.27 - 4 PM MEN'S BASKETBALL vs College of Charleston
  - E. 02.28 - 2:00 PM WOMEN'S BASKETBALL vs College of Charleston
  - F. 03.01 - 7:00 PM MEN'S LACROSSE vs New Jersey Institute of Technology James M. Shuart Stadium

Meeting adjourned at 7:00pm

Respectfully,

Sarah Harris

Spirit Chairwoman

Student Government Association

Student Services  
Minutes  
February 23rd, 2016

Attendance: Chairperson Cinquemani, Senator Valerio, Senator Esteban, Senator Normandin, Senator Gardner

Guests: Senator Tadbiri

Visitors: Allyson Gieger, Hunter Blain

Meeting Commenced: 5:06 PM

- I. Senator Progress Updates/Portfolios
  - a. Senator Normandin
    - i. Bookstore preferences for buying books
      - 1. Established a purpose and brainstormed ideas to accomplish the initiative.
      - 2. Hunter gave insight to information obtained last year when the Academic Affairs committee researched this initiative.
      - 3. Will discuss the viability of adding an on hold option that will automatically send students an email asking if they want a new version or to cancel the order.
  - b. Senator Gardner
    - i. Fixing laundry application
      - 1. Will meet with Vice President Gallagher.
  - c. Senator Esteban
    - i. Green Dining Hall Alternatives
      - 1. Is going to find a contact with Chairperson Cinquemani and draft an email, possibly Jose Rodriquez.
      - 2. Will work with Allyson Gieger.
  - d. Senator Valerio
    - i. Commuter Student Emergency Housing
      - 1. Met with Beth McGuire from Reslife on February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2016.
      - 2. Waiting for contact information from Ryerson University who has a similar program.
      - 3. Will draft an email to contact student affairs officials from other universities.
- II. Ongoing Committee Wide Initiatives
  - a. Food Committee Meetings:
    - i. 3/10/2016- Senator Normandin & Senator Valerio
    - ii. 4/6/2016- TBD
    - iii. 5/4/2016- TBD
  - b. Spring Provost Scholar Reception
    - i. Waiting for contact from the Provost's Office to respond.
  - c. New York Times Subscription
    - i. Meeting with Karl later this week
    - ii. Hunter recommended sharing the video on how to get a day pass.
    - iii. Senator Valerio suggested splitting costs with other departments.
      - 1. Hunter said that someone from the University split the costs last academic year.

