



Agenda of the 79th Senate
Hofstra University Student Government Association

March 12th, 2015

Green House, Student Center

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- Call to Order**
 - I. Quorum Call**
 - II. Approval of Senate Minutes**
 - III. Approval of Cabinet Minutes**
 - IV. Rules – E. Casey**
 - V. New Business**
 - A. MAPS**
 - B. Table Tennis**
 - C. Programming Budget Legislation**
 - D. Non-SGA recognized club Legislation**
 - VI. Executive Board Reports**
 - A. President – M. Atkinson**
 - B. Vice President- N. Olson**
 - C. Comptroller – A. Guarino**
 - D. Secretary- J. Wyatt**
 - VII. Committee Chair Weekly Reports**
 - A. Academic Affairs – M. Andrews**
 - B. Appropriations – D. Gallagher**
 - C. Programming – W. Shepherd**
 - D. Public Relations – F. Gitlin**
 - E. Spirit – S. Harris**
 - F. Student Services – M. Manuel**
 - VIII. For the Good of the Order**
 - IX. Announcements**
 - X. Snap Cup**

Adjournment

Student Government Association Senate

February 26th, 2015

Meeting of the 79th Senate called to order at 6:08 pm

- I. Quorum Call
- II. Approval of Senate Minutes
 - a. Senator Andrews motions to pass
 - i. Motion seconded
 - ii. Motion passes 28-0-0
- III. Approval of the Cabinet Minutes
 - a. Senator Marshall motions to pass
 - i. Motion seconded
 - ii. Motion passes 28-0-0
- IV. Rules Committee Minutes
 - a. Senator Caputo motions to pass
 - b. Motion passes 28-0-0
- V. New Business
 - a. African Student Association
 - i. *African Student Association*: We are a new club this semester. We wanted to start this club because we feel that African culture is not accurately represented on campus. We want to show the positives of African culture and teach the Hofstra community about Africa's great tradition and culture. We would want to have an African banquet to showcase different foods and an African fashion show to show some of the culture.
 - ii. Questioning Period
 1. *Senator Beer*: What class standing are the majority of your members?
 - a. *African Student Association*: Freshmen, sophomores, and juniors.
 2. *Senator Mishkin*: Are you willing to collaborate with other clubs on campus?
 - a. *African Student Association*: Yes, definitely. We are trying to work something out with the other multicultural clubs on campus.
 3. *Senator Esteban*: What does SGA recognition mean to you?
 - a. *African Student Association*: It would be important for funding because we have so many events that we want to put on. The main reason is funding.
 4. *Chair Blain*: How would you differentiate your club from the other clubs on campus?
 - a. *African Student Association*: We are more focused on African culture.
 5. *Chair Gitlin*: How many meetings have you had?
 - a. *African Student Association*: Four so far.
 6. *Senator Shafranski*: How many members are in your club?
 - a. *African Student Association*: Fourteen so far.
 7. *Senator Ramdhani*: You mentioned something about negatives of African culture portrayed in media, can you give an example?
 - a. *African Student Association*: You usually see starving children, poverty and AIDS but there is more to Africa than that.
 - iii. Debate

1. *Senator Beer (Speaker For)*: We all deserve to be proud of our background and share it. This gives a voice to students of a certain culture. They are a club who consists of much younger students and are ready to take on the challenge.
 2. *Senator Braitman (Speaker Against)*: I agree that every student should be heard. Not being SGA recognized is not silencing the group. They need to grow more before SGA recognition.
 - a. *Yielded to Chair Shepherd*: We do not have to recognize every club. They are a club; they do not need recognition to function.
 3. *Senator Shafranski (Speaker For)*: Hofstra promotes diversity; they want to put a spotlight on their culture. I understand they said that they want to use SGA as a bank, but I believe she has other reasons that she did not articulate.
 - a. *Yielded to Chair Blain*: I can tell this means a lot to her, this is a club that might need our help, and we should recognize them.
 4. *Senator Ramdhani (Speaker Against)*: I do not see the point in passing this club yet. Firstly, we cannot pass every club that comes to us. There are many similar clubs to this club on campus. I can see a future for this club as a part of one of our large organization. They need time to prosper before they come for recognition from SGA.
- iv. By a vote of 11-15-2 the African Student Association does not pass for SGA recognition.
- b. **Amnesty International**
- i. *Amnesty International*: We are a group of students trying to raise awareness for human rights. We focus on all issues. We let our members decide the issues that they are more passionate about. We have 5 meetings/events planned for the semester. In 2 weeks we are having a police brutality event, we are also having a speaker. Additionally we are going to have a human rights art show. We are different because we are attached to an international organization. We have met twice this semester and we are focusing on abuse as the main subject for the semester. Our first event was last Monday, it is regarding human rights issues in Syria; Syrians are not allowed to enter the borders but they need the safety and a journalist is imprisoned for creating a website about freedom of speech, so we are raising awareness. We have been utilizing social media in conjunction with our events.
 - ii. **Questioning Period**
 1. *Senator Mishkin*: You said you focus on many things, but then you said you were focusing on abuse, could you elaborate on that?
 - a. *Amnesty International*: This semester we are focusing a lot on abuse, but it will depend on the semester and what our members vote. We will focus our events (...).
 2. *Chair Harris*: Other than providing funds how can SGA help you?
 - a. *Amnesty International*: We can be more connected. Yes, we need funding, but we want to have a larger presence on campus. With SGA backing, we will have a better reach.
 3. *Senator Senderowicz*: How many people attended your event?
 - a. *Amnesty International*: We have 17 members and 12 came to the event.
 4. *Senator Price*: Your constitution speaks about workshops; can you speak more about those?
 - a. *Amnesty International*: They give us guidelines on things we can do and not do. They also help by giving us topics to focus each month
 5. *Senator Price*: Your relationship with the parent organization is strong?
 - a. *Amnesty International*: Yes of course.
 6. *Chair Engelson*: Your purpose is raising awareness, how would you do that in Hofstra's community and how would you have SGA help you with that?

- voting rights in regards to attendance. The same goes with our organization. Do not attach a negative tag because it is a fraternity.
- d. *Comptroller Guarino*: I am not clear on why they want SGA recognition, if anyone wants to take the time to answer them.
 - i. *Yielded to Chair Blain*: I also feel weird passing this without their constitution to review.
 - ii. *Chair Gitlin*: We had plenty of time to review it.
 - ii. By a vote of 16-8-3 Alpha Phi Omega passes as an SGA recognized club
 - d. Chair Blain motions to suspend the rules to read the Academic Affairs minutes
 - i. Debate
 1. *Senator Gitlin (Speaker For)*: This is the last courtesy that we can give Chair Blain to present his minutes before giving his position to someone else and I think it is the least we can do.
 - a. *Yielded to Chair Blain*: I want a moment to address whoever wants to run and some closing remarks
 2. *Chair Engelson (Speaker Against)*: I do not see this as a necessity right now. We were moving smoothly and I think we should just keep going.
 3. *Chair Manuel (Speaker For)*: We are wasting time about stuff that does not matter. It is going to take the same amount of time whether he does it now or later.
 4. *Senator Pollock (Speaker Against)*: I feel that this is pointless and we do it later.
 - ii. By a vote of 28-0-0 the motion to move into the Academic Affairs minutes passes.
 - e. Academic Affairs Committee Meeting
 - i. Met with Steve Babbitt from the bookstore to speak about the book orders initiative that was started by former Chair Tierney
 - ii. Ordered food for the Provost's List Reception
 - iii. Met with the Assistant Dean of the First Year Connections programs about the Adopt a First Year
 1. Ran into Dean Godlove on campus and he is still very excited about the initiative.
 - iv. Meeting about student teaching abroad
 - v. Senator Mishkin motions to pass the Academic Affairs minutes
 1. Motion seconded
 2. Motion passes 26-0-0
 - f. Academic Affairs Chair Election
 - i. Nominations
 1. Comptroller Guarino nominates Senator Andrews
 - a. Motion seconded
 - b. Senator Andrews accepts
 2. Chair Gitlin nominates Senator Cinquemani
 - a. Motion seconded
 - b. Senator Cinquemani declines
 3. Senator Stengel nominates Senator Shah
 - a. Motion seconded
 - b. Senator Shah declines
 - ii. Senator Andrews
 1. *Senator Andrews*: In Spring 2012 I was elected as the Academic Affairs Chair and stepped down to run for Appropriations. I did not have the opportunity to follow through with the initiatives I had. I think it is meant to be the book ends to my cabinet position in SGA. I served on cabinet for 3 semesters and I am the oldest senator around the table. Our initiatives need to be done. I also have a great relationship with Chair Manuel and would love to collaborate with him. I

want there to be progress by the end of the semester. We have strong senators on the committee and around the table; I want to help find someone to take this position this year. My number one priority has been my academics, but I also think I have been the most dedicated person to this position over the past few years. I do not believe that it is a secret, because I had student services initiatives at the time. I have spent a lot of time doing a lot for both academic affairs and student services. I want to finish our initiatives and get a lot done. I also want to more effectively communicate with administrators.

2. *Senator Mishkin*: Will your meeting times change?
 - a. *Senator Andrews*: Most likely not.
 3. *Comptroller Guarino*: Can you elaborate on some of your initiatives?
 - a. *Senator Andrews*: Working to get UTP out there publicized. I also want to organize all of our research; I want to make sure all of our information is neat and compiled for future chairs. I want to continue with the Adopt a First Year program and make a clearer presentation. I also have an idea to anonymously report concerns about a professor on the portal and think it is something to look into.
 4. Speakers For the Election of Senator Andrews
 - a. *Chair Casey*: Senator Andrews is so knowledgeable and I am convinced she knows everything. She is so dedicated and gives a lot of time to SGA. One of the big things about being the Academic Affairs Chair is having the leadership and presence to meet with administrators. She would also (...).
 - b. *Chair Blain*: While Megan has been in my committee she has been hard working and even when we did not see eye to eye she is always respectful and gave everything her all. She has connections that are the perfect people to approach about different things. I know she will be able to foster grooming a younger successor. I would be more than happy to have her take my place.
- iii. By a vote of 24-0-2 Megan Andrews will serve as our new Academic Affairs Chair
- g. Senator Miskin motions for a 5 minute recess
 - i. Motion seconded
 - ii. Motion passes 26-0-0
- h. Active Club Legislation
 - i. *Chair Gallagher*: We have some legislation, which is updating a policy and precedent. As of now, if a non-SGA recognized club does not have 10 members or more on Collegiate Link they are not eligible for the 5% funding. However, some organizations are active under OSLA, but still cannot receive money from the 5% because we do not deem them active. This seeks to change the definition of active in the constitution, where if it does not follow ours as long as it adheres to the definition of an active club as set forth by OSLA.
 - ii. Debate
 1. *Senator Senderowicz (Speaker For)*: I am on the Appropriations committee, but I think is extremely fair legislation. We had to decline awesome campus wide events over budget weekend and that was limiting and did not give them enough funds to function.
 - a. *Yielded to Comptroller Guarino*: OSLA says they are active with 5 members.
 2. *Senator Beer (Speaker Against)*: As it stands OSLA is our superior, but this is disfranchising us. OSLA can change. Why have a policy series if you're just going to say that as long as you follow OSLA then we do not matter? This needs to be up to us not them.

3. *Senator Blain (Speaker For)*: This is not disenfranchising. This is for the 5% fund; this has nothing to do with anything else in regards to the 5% fund. Why bother have money for clubs that cannot meet our requirements then just to have new requirements.
 4. *Chair Engelson (Speaker Against)*: I understand the first part under the Appropriations Committee, but I cannot agree with the part of the Rules Committee section.
 5. Chair Manuel motions for a 2 minute moderated caucus with 2 speakers
 - a. Motion seconded
 - b. Motion passes 26-0-0
 - c. *Chair Manuel*: I do not want to bring in a Greek hat here, but this directly affects my council where there less than 10 members. Even if they are having a campus wide event, because of our policy we cannot fund any of that.
 - d. *Senator Beer*: This is not the way we should change it because we are saying that the standard should be OSLA's. This is bad PR. Why have standards if you think they are too harsh and then make loopholes? We do not need to disenfranchise ourselves.
 - i. *Yielded to Chair Harris*: It is not a loophole it is making sure that people have access to our 5% fund.
- iii. Comptroller Guarino motions to strike Section V, sub section A, sub-sub section 1, sub-sub-sub section f
1. *Chair Manuel*: Point of information, why did you put that in?
 - a. *Chair Gallagher*: It was to cover our bases and make sure we have a definition for everything.
 2. Motion seconded
 3. Motion objected
 4. Debate
 - a. *Comptroller Guarino*: I do agree and understand what Chair Engelson was saying. I thought to strike this so it is clear that is this is an Appropriations matter.
 - b. *Chair Gitlin*: The purpose of the way I read it provides context for the Appropriations Committee. I would rather us keep both and update the definition so (...).
 - c. *Chair Engelson*: I strongly disagree with Chair Gitlin. We need to think about the future, not just now. Things at Hofstra are changing and it does not make sense to keep (f). It is better to get rid of (f) and stick with the Appropriation Committee's definition.
 - d. *Senator Beer*: We are not doing the best by just scratching half. We need to take an extra week to provide a good solution.
 - i. *Chair Manuel*: It says "may." It is not definite. When you ask your mother, "May I do something?" she might still say no.
 - ii. *Comptroller Guarino*: I believe this is a good solution.
- iv. By a vote 19-6-2 the motion to strike Section V, sub section A, sub-sub section 1, sub-sub-sub section f passes
- v. Chair Manuel motions for a 5 minute un-moderated caucus
1. Motion seconded
 2. Motion objected
 3. Senator Pollock motions to skip debate and go straight to a vote
 - a. Motion seconded
 - b. Motion passes 26-0-0
 4. By a vote of 26-0-0 we will move into an un-moderated caucus.

- vi. Comptroller Guarino motions to change Section B sub-section 1 sub-sub section h sub-sub-sub section a, to read “The Appropriations Committee can only fund any club that is deemed active by the standards set forth in this Policy Series and/or by the definition of the club’s category set forth by the Office of Student Leadership and Activities (OSLA)”
 - 1. Motion seconded
 - 2. By a vote of 25-0-1 the motion to change Section B sub-section 1 sub-sub section h sub-sub-sub section a, to read “The Appropriations Committee can only fund any club that is deemed active by the standards set forth in this Policy Series and/or by the definition of the club’s category set forth by the Office of Student Leadership and Activities (OSLA)” passes
- vii. Senator Pollock motions to pass the Active Club Legislation
 - 1. Motion seconded
 - 2. By a vote of 25-1-0, the Active Club Legislation passes
 - a. Comptroller Guarino: Yay
 - b. Senator Blain: Nay
 - c. Chair Gallagher: Yay
 - d. Chair Engelson: Yay
 - e. Chair Shepherd: Yay
 - f. Chair Gitlin: Yay
 - g. Chair Casey: Yay
 - h. Chair Harris: Yay
 - i. Chair Manuel: Yay
 - j. Chair Andrews: Yay
 - k. Senator Beer: Yay
 - l. Senator Braitman: Yay
 - m. Senator Caputo: Yay
 - n. Senator Cinquemani: Yay
 - o. Senator Dent: Yay
 - p. Senator Diaz: Yay
 - q. Senator Esteban: Yay
 - r. Senator Marshall: Yay
 - s. Senator McKeown: Yay
 - t. Senator Pollock: Yay
 - u. Senator Price: Yay
 - v. Senator Senderowicz: Yay
 - w. Senator Shafranski: Yay
 - x. Senator Shah: Yay
 - y. Senator Stengel: Yay
- i. University Club Limitation Legislation
 - i. *Comptroller Guarino*: The Appropriations Committee will not allocate any funding to be used at the David S. Mack University Club. This is because there is a \$37 difference between this and a buffet from Compass not in the University Club. This is because limited availability of funds and the differences in price.
 - ii. Senator Marshall motions to skip debate and go straight to a vote
 - 1. Motion seconded
 - 2. Motion passes 24-0-0
 - 3. By a vote of 24-0-0 the University Club Limitation Legislation passes
 - a. Comptroller Guarino: Yay
 - b. Senator Blain: Yay
 - c. Chair Gallagher: Yay
 - d. Chair Engelson: Yay

- e. Chair Shepherd: Yay
- f. Chair Gitlin: Yay
- g. Chair Harris: Yay
- h. Chair Manuel: Yay
- i. Chair Andrews: Yay
- j. Senator Beer: Yay
- k. Senator Braitman: Yay
- l. Senator Caputo: Yay
- m. Senator Cinquemani: Yay
- n. Senator Dent: Yay
- o. Senator Diaz: Yay
- p. Senator Esteban: Yay
- q. Senator Marshall: Yay
- r. Senator McKeown: Yay
- s. Senator Pollock: Yay
- t. Senator Price: Yay
- u. Senator Senderowicz: Yay
- v. Senator Shafranski: Yay
- w. Senator Shah: Yay
- x. Senator Stengel: Yay

j. Debate Resolution

- i. *President Atkinson*: Something exciting is happening soon; hopefully we will be having another Presidential Debate here at Hofstra University. This resolution says that we support the proposal that the University is putting together to apply for the 2016 Debate. No school has ever had 3 debates.
- ii. President Atkinson makes a friendly amendment to change “the third 2012 Presidential Debate” to “the Second Presidential Debate of 2012”
- iii. Senator Marshall motions to skip debate and go straight to a vote
 - 1. Motion seconded
 - 2. By a vote of 25-0-0 the Debate Resolution passes
 - a. Comptroller Guarino: Yay
 - b. Senator Blain: Yay
 - c. Chair Gallagher: Yay
 - d. Chair Engelson: Yay
 - e. Chair Shepherd: Yay
 - f. Chair Gitlin: Yay
 - g. Chair Casey: Yay
 - h. Chair Harris: Yay
 - i. Chair Manuel: Yay
 - j. Chair Andrews: Yay
 - k. Senator Beer: Yay
 - l. Senator Braitman: Yay
 - m. Senator Caputo: Yay
 - n. Senator Cinquemani: Yay
 - o. Senator Dent: Yay
 - p. Senator Diaz: Yay
 - q. Senator Esteban: Yay
 - r. Senator Marshall: Yay
 - s. Senator McKeown: Yay
 - t. Senator Pollock: Yay
 - u. Senator Price: Yay
 - v. Senator Senderowicz: Yay

- w. Senator Shafranski: Yay
 - x. Senator Shah: Yay
 - y. Senator Stengel: Yay
 - k. Swearing in of the Elections Commission
 - i. *Vice President Olson*: Each spring the seniors of Senate will sit on the Elections Commission to remove bias from elections, since we are all up for election.
 - ii. Members: Chair Andrews, Chair Engelson, Senator Caputo, Senator Ho, and Chair Manuel
- VI. Executive Board Reports
 - a. President
 - i. Reviewing our purpose
 - ii. Paper Plate Awards
 - b. Secretary
 - i. Announcements
 - ii. Project SGA: We're Here To Do
- VII. Committee Chair Weekly Reports
 - a. Appropriations
 - i. Senator Shafranski motions to pass
 - 1. Motion seconded
 - 2. Motion passes 26-0-0
 - b. Programming
 - i. March 9-11th is the kickoff of the Toms event
 - ii. ROTC Boot Camp
 - iii. Co-sponsoring with BSU for their Skate event
 - iv. Senator Caputo motions to pass
 - 1. Motion seconded
 - 2. Motion passes 26-0-0
 - c. Public Relations
 - i. SGA Brand Packet
 - ii. Video Press Releases
 - iii. Senate Agenda on Facebook
 - iv. Chair Shepherd motions to pass
 - 1. Motion seconded
 - 2. Motion passes 26-0-0
 - d. Spirit
 - i. CAA Tournament
 - ii. Senator Marshall motions to pass
 - 1. Motion seconded
 - 2. Motion passes 26-0-0
 - e. Student Services
 - i. Student Appreciation Week
 - ii. Portfolio Advertisement
 - iii. Universal Remote
 - iv. Phone Charging Stations
 - v. Senator Marshall motions to pass
 - 1. Motion seconded
 - 2. Motion passes 26-0-0
- VIII. Chair Manuel motions to suspend the rules to have a Portfolio Workshop
 - a. Motion seconded
 - b. Motion passes 26-0-0
- IX. Chair Engelson motions to suspend the rules to give a Club Space Office Allocation update
- X. For Good of the Order

- XI. Announcements
- XII. Snap Cup
- XIII. Senator Marshall motions to adjourn at 10:23pm
 - a. Motion seconded
 - b. Motion passes 26-0-0

Respectfully submitted,

Jenna Wyatt

Secretary

Student Government Association

Wednesday, March 4th, 2015

Student Government Association Cabinet Meeting

Present: President Atkinson, Vice President Olson, Secretary Wyatt, Comptroller Guarino, Academic Affairs Chair Andrews, Appropriations Chair Gallagher, Club Relations Chair Engelson, Programming Chair Shepherd, Public Relations Chair Gitlin, Rules Chair Casey, and Spirit Chair Harris

Absent: Student Services Chair Manuel

Meeting called to order by President Atkinson at 8:09pm

- I. Opening Icebreaker Game
- II. Updates
 - a. Academic Affairs
 - i. 1st Committee Meeting
 - ii. Organized initiatives and making portfolios
 - iii. Scheduled meeting with Cliff Jernigan and Gary Miller
 - iv. Having a meeting with Jean Peden Christodoulou
 - v. Phone Chargers
 - vi. Provost Scholar Reception
 - vii. 18th Credit Research
 - viii. Career Center Initiative
 - b. Appropriations
 - i. Online signups is working well
 - ii. Legislation
 - c. Comptroller
 - d. Club Relations
 - i. Club Office Space Allocations
 - ii. Club Olympics – 3/27 through 3/29
 - iii. Club Sports Showcase
 - iv. Club Congress - 4/29
 - v. Faculty Advisor/Administration Updates
 - e. Programming
 - i. Toms Event - 3/9 through 3/11
 - ii. ROTC Boot Camp - 4/26
 - iii. BSU Skate Event - TBD
 - f. Public Relations
 - i. Facebook Agenda posting
 - ii. SGA Updates
 1. 1st Press Release - March 10th
 2. 2nd Press Release - April 2nd
 - iii. State of SGA - April 15th

- iv. State of SGA editing – April 21st
 - v. “Brought to you by SGA” Plaque
 - 1. “Brought to you by SGA using the Student Activities Fee”
 - g. Rules
 - i. Clubs coming for recognition
 - ii. Collegiate Link
 - iii. Constitution Review
 - iv. Memorandum template
 - v. Resolution template
 - vi. Rules Book
 - h. Spirit
 - i. Spirit Rock
 - ii. Improving communication with club sports
 - iii. Fundraising
 - iv. Dance Marathon
 - v. Club flea market
 - vi. CAA Tournament
- III. Programming Budget Procedure Legislation
 - a. Motion to table this legislation until the next senate meeting on March 12th
- IV. Non-SGA Recognized Update Legislation
 - a. Motion to add this legislation to the senate agenda for March 5th
- V. Club Office Space Allocation Review
 - a. Chair Andrews motions to add floor plan 1 to the senate agenda for March 5th
 - i. Motion seconded
 - ii. Motion passes 9-0-0
- VI. Senate Overview
- VII. Carpet Time
- VIII. Chair Andrews motions to adjourn at 11:39pm
 - a. Motion seconded
 - b. Motion passes

Respectfully Submitted,

Jenna Wyatt

Student Government Association Secretary

Wednesday, March 11th, 2015

Student Government Association Cabinet Meeting

Present: President Atkinson, Vice President Olson, Secretary Wyatt, Comptroller Guarino, Academic Affairs Chair Andrews, Appropriations Chair Gallagher, Programming Chair Shepherd, Public Relations Chair Gitlin, Rules Chair Casey, and Student Services Chair Manuel

Absent: Club Relations Chair Engelson, Spirit Chair Harris

Meeting called to order by President Atkinson at 8:09pm

- I. Opening Icebreaker Game
- II. Updates
 - a. Academic Affairs
 - i. Book Store Initiative, Meeting with Dr. Jernigan
 - ii. Meeting with Gary Miller, Director of the Career Center about (...)
 - iii. Senator Shah looking into other GPA structures
 - iv. Senator Shah and Senator Cinquemani working on HUHC Brochure
 1. "What If" options for Degreeworks
 - v. Add information about UTP in syllabi
 - vi. Provost Scholar Reception – March 31st @ 3:30 PM, 246 East Library
 - vii. Senator McKeown's Study Abroad Initiative
 - b. Appropriations
 - c. Comptroller
 - d. Programming
 - i. Toms Event
 1. 79 orders so far
 2. Thursday 3/12 is the last day
 - ii. Carnival Stressbuster – 4/14 at 6:00pm MPR West
 - iii. BSU Skate Event – 4/25
 - iv. 3 new programmers
 - e. Public Relations
 - i. Video Press Release
 - ii. UTP Advertising
 - iii. State of SGA
 - iv. "Brought to you by SGA" Plaque and Stamp
 - f. Rules
 - i. Constitution Review
 - ii. Working to create Constitution guides
 - iii. Online Rules and Election Signups (Transitioning)
 - g. Student Services
 - i. Remote initiative – Plant & IT are taking over this initiative

- ii. Phone Charging Stations
 - 1. Senator Cinquemani met with James Stuart
 - iii. SGA at the Corner (Proposed for March 20th)
 - iv. Meal Share Program
- III. Office Space Allocation Updates
- IV. Programming Budget Legislation
 - a. Chair Andrews motions to add to the Senate agenda
 - i. Motion seconded
 - ii. Motion passes
- V. Non-SGA Recognized Update Legislation
 - a. Chair Andrews motions to add to the Senate agenda
 - i. Motion seconded
 - ii. Motion passes
- VI. Mid-Semester Report Voting
 - a. Chair Andrews motions to make Mid-Semester reports due on March 25th for the March 26th meeting
 - i. Motion seconded
 - ii. Motion passes
- VII. Senate Overview
- VIII. Carpet Time
- IX. Chair Andrews motions to adjourn at 9:50pm
 - a. Seconded
 - b. Motion passes

Respectfully submitted,

Jenna Wyatt

Student Government Association Secretary

Rules Minutes

March 2, 2015

Attendance: Chairperson Erin Casey, So-Van Ho, Natalie Mishkin, & Anthony Ramdhani (late 6:47 PM, left 7:56 PM)

Meeting Commenced: 6:30 PM

1. IFSC
 - a. Seeking re-recognition
 - i. Governing body of social fraternities and sororities
 - b. Constitution review
 - i. Grammar
 - ii. Formatting
2. Minority Association of Pre-Health Students (MAPS)
 - a. New club – Registration committee 09/26/2014
 - i. Pre-professional & Multicultural
 - ii. National MAPS organization
 1. Hofstra chapter of a national pre-med organization
 2. Provide resources and networking opportunities in pre-med to students
 3. Serve local community
 - b. Constitution review
 - i. Grammar
 - ii. Formatting
 1. Consistency in formatting
3. Hofstra Table Tennis Club
 - a. New club – Registration committee
 - i. Club sport
 - ii. Build community by playing table tennis
 - iii. Host tournaments, fundraise for different charities
 - b. Constitution review
 - i. Content
 1. Advisor: do not specify
 2. Article IV, section B, subsection d and e: reworded
4. Physician's Assistant Club
 - a. Revising constitution
 - i. Article III: Membership, Section 2 removed
 - ii. Article VI: Removal of Members changed to "Officers"
5. Phi Alpha Delta
 - a. Hofstra's co-ed pre-law fraternity

- b. Revising constitution
 - i. Adding Preamble
 - ii. Revising composition of Executive board
- 6. Universal Prayer Space Resolution
 - a. A resolution for the implementation of a universal prayer space
 - i. Encourages the University to create a space where people from all religions can go and pray
 - ii. States that SGA has seen a need for such a space from the student body and is advocating for them
 - b. Review
 - i. Reworded some phrases
 - ii. Altered spacing to fit format

Meeting Adjourned: 9:03 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Erin Casey

Rules Chairwoman

Rules Minutes

March 9, 2015

Attendance: Chair Erin Casey, So-Van Ho, Natalie Mishkin, & Anthony Ramdhani

Visiting: Francine Chirico, Lilly Ho

Meeting commenced 6:30 PM

1. No clubs signed up
2. Started a "Bad Constitution Template"
 - a. Listed out common problems
 - b. Put them all in one constitution template and annotated the mistakes and the reasons
3. Discussed constitution weekend
 - a. Decided to wait until next semester
 - b. Organized and set up a plan of action

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Erin Casey

Rules Chairwoman

Hofstra University
Student Government Association

Two Thousand Fifteen

Programming Budget Procedure Legislation

Noted from the Updated Student Government Policy Series, Revised Fall 2013

VIII. PROGRAMMING BOARD

A. CHAIR: The Programming Board shall be led by a Programmer elected by the Programming Board. He or she shall serve in the capacity of Committee Chair.

B. RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. The Programming Board shall be responsible for creating and coordinating a minimum of seven (7) events per semester.
2. ~~Each semester, the Programming Board shall apply for a budget from the Appropriations Committee at budget weekend.~~ **The Programming Board's budget for the following semester will be decided at the end of the current semester, after roll back is calculated.**
3. Each member shall be responsible for one (1) office hour per week.
4. Each member of the Programming Board shall be subject to the Student Government Association's attendance policy.

Respectfully submitted,

Damian Gallagher

Appropriations Chairman

Alyson Guarino

Comptroller

Hofstra University
Student Government Association
Two Thousand Fifteen

Non-SGA Recognized Update Legislation

Noted from the Updated Student Government Policy Series, Revised Fall 2013

B. APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE:

1. General Policies:

- a. A maximum of five percent (5%) of the funds that are to be allocated to Student Government Association recognized clubs and organizations each year may be allocated to undergraduate non-Student Government Association organizations if the organization meets the following criteria:
 - i. The non-Student Government Association organization must follow all Appropriations policies in order to receive funding.
 - ii. Funding will only be allocated for campus-wide events, not for items or programs that are specific to the organization exclusively (ie: t-shirts, banners, conferences, fundraisers, travel, etc will not be funded).
 - iii. Proposals may be submitted for review over the bi-annual budget weekends. **The Appropriations Committee Chair may add a maximum of two (2) additional dates in which non-Student Government Association organizations may submit proposals throughout the semester.** Each non-SGA recognized club or organization may receive funding for **a maximum of two events per year events deemed to be campus wide per the policies and decisions of the Appropriations Committee.**

Respectfully submitted,

Damian Gallagher

Appropriations Chairman

Alyson Guarino

Comptroller

Academic Affairs Meeting

March 3, 2015

Attendance: Megan Andrews, Rita Cinquemani, Pratik Shah

Absent: Hunter Blain, Colleen McKeown

Meeting Called To Order: 2:15 PM

Provost's Scholar Reception: March 31st @ 3:30 P.M in East Library Wing 246

Book Order Initiative

- Pratik drafted email to Dr. Jernigan to schedule a meeting for next week
- Discussed Federal Law regarding the need to have these book orders in on time from professors
- Steve Babbitt is getting data from other schools to see how Hofstra compares

Phone Charger Initiative

- Rita met with Mr. Jim
- Sponsorships for the expensive solar phone chargers.
- Monthly Rental Fee's
- Potentially placed on easily accessible places on campus; solar devices can be placed outdoor.
- Near the stations there will be TV's placed to advertise the sponsors for these chargers.

Portfolio and chronicling all the data researched this semester and future semesters.

- Will be working on this throughout the semester

Student Teaching Abroad

- PR for allowing students from other schools to be a part of Hofstra Study Abroad programs – potentially Hofstra Today or the main Hofstra page
- There is a flyer around campus right now advertising a fellowship abroad in several different countries

Individualized Honors Options

- Changing the deadlines of the individual honors options to make it more flexible for students and professors.
- Rita and Pratik will work on a semester checklist/Honors college timeline

Deans/Provost Scholar

- Discussed potentially expanding the provost scholar reception to provide an opportunity for students on the deans list to be recognized
- Could be two separate events if the Provost's reception is something that scholars look more forward to – potentially in the University Club?

Career Center

- Megan will schedule a meeting with Gary Miller this week (hopefully Rita can also attend!)
- Potential initiatives for non-business majors; event that allows numerous students to take the personality test that provides potential career options

GPA / Deans List Requirements

- Idea of structuring the Dean's List GPA requirements based on credits taken. For example, a student who takes 18 credits in a semester will have a lower required GPA to make Dean's List than a student enrolled in 12 credits.
- Pratik will research to see what schools other than Cornell offer this GPA structure

Meeting Adjourned 3:00 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Megan Andrews

Academic Affairs Chairwoman

Academic Affairs Minutes

March 10, 2015

Attendance: Megan Andrews, Pratik Shah, Rita Cinquemani, Hunter Blain, Colleen McKeown

(2:35)

Meeting Called to Order: 2:16pm

GPA Research

- Cornell's staggered GPA structure
 - o Rewards students based on how many credits they take each semester
- Pratik researched 40 big name schools GPA structure
 - o University of Florida also has unique GPA structure
 - Set based on the school you are in rather than the number of credits
 - o Stanford has a "Dean's Standout Student"
 - Picks students based on 4 academic criteria: research, community service, etc.
 - o Most schools had a similar structure to Hofstra
 - Some also distinguish between 3.5-3.7, 3.71-3.9, 3.91-4.0
- Discussion about how this can best fit Hofstra
 - o Ways to recognize standout students who do not have a 4.0

Adopt-A-First Year / Major Mentor

- Hunter is meeting with the Psychology department
- Hunter will create a proposal to present to Anne in Advisement

Honors College Checklist

- Rita and Pratik will work together to compile the information for the timeline
- Will discuss next meeting

Career Center

- Megan will meet with Gary Miller on Thursday at 2pm
- Will discuss more opportunities for non-Zarb students, career-fair more separated by category (shuttle students to the Mack arena), more events in the student center

Study Abroad

- Creative ways to educate students about the opportunities to study abroad
- Increase student knowledge: Hofcast, update the study abroad website
- Inform students during first year orientation – have students who have studied abroad discuss their experience
- Degree Works
 - o What If Option for if you study abroad

UTP

- Add information in the syllabus about tutoring services
- Working with PR to create large poster board advertisements to be placed in library and main academic buildings

Provost Scholar Reception

- Will be held on the at 3:30pm on Tuesday, March 31st. The Academic Affairs Committee will attend.

Meeting Adjourned: 2:52pm

Respectfully submitted,

Megan Andrews

Academic Affairs Chairwoman

Appropriations Minutes

March 3, 2015

Attendance: Chairperson Damian Gallagher, Comptroller Alyson Guarino, Jacquelyn Dent, So-Van Ho, Tristan Marshall, & Gaby Senderowicz

Visiting: Vice President Nicole Olson, Rules Chair Erin Casey

Meeting Commenced: 6:15 PM

- Men's Rugby
Requested: \$2,862.42
Coaching fee, Transportation, Referee fees, Apparel, Equipment
Allocated: \$1,912.25
Coaching fee: \$1,250.00
Transportation: \$110.25
Referee fees: \$320.00
Equipment: \$232.00
- Newman Club
Requested: \$2,559.47
Advertising, Intercampus Spring Retreat, *Adelante* Film Screening, Catholic Underground
Allocated: \$1,005.07
Advertising: \$206.00
Adelante Film Screening: \$530.00
Catholic Underground: \$269.07
- HAMA
Requested: \$4,980.00
AMA Hotel
Allocated: \$1,000.00
AMA Hotel: \$1,000.00
- Society of Physics Students
Requested: \$251.76
Indian Point, Banner
Allocated: \$251.76
Indian Point: \$209.76
Banner: \$42.00

- Hofstra Crew
Requested: \$5,541.44
 Equipment Insurance, Dad Vail Regatta Entry fee, Sagamore Membership dues, Gas money
Allocated: \$1,309.92
 Dad Vail Regatta: \$900.00
 Gas: \$409.92

- Budget Weekend Review
 - a. **Budgets due:** March 25th @ 11:59 PM to sga_budgets@pride.hofstra.edu
 - i. Must be submitted in one .pdf file
 - b. **Budget Weekend:** March 27th & March 28th
 - c. **Club Appeals Period:** April 1st – April 3rd @ 11:59 PM
 - d. **Appeals Senate:** April 16th

- Carpet time

Total Requested: \$16,195.09
 Total Allocated: \$5,479.00
 % Allocated: 33.8%
 Meeting Adjourned: 8:25 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Damian Gallagher

Appropriations Chairman

Appropriations Minutes

March 10, 2015

Attendance: Chairperson Damian Gallagher, Comptroller Alyson Guarino, Jacquelyn Dent, Tristan Marshall, & Gaby Senderowicz

Visiting: Rules Chair Erin Casey

Absent: So-Van Ho

Meeting Commenced: 6:15 PM

- NABA
Requested: \$1,994.50
CPA Exam event, IT and Accounting event, Dining Etiquette event, Quinnipiac Conference, Apparel
Allocated: \$1,335
Quinnipiac Conference: \$975
Apparel: \$250
Food: \$110
- Shooting Club
Requested: \$5,942.98
Cleaning supplies, Protection gear, Range fee, Transportation, Apparel, Banner, Lesson/Instruction Fee, Storage supplies
Allocated: \$2,312.32
Range fee: \$1,344
Transportation: \$396.52
Protective Gear: \$51.80
Lesson/Instruction Fee: \$520
- Tax Society
Requested: \$3,754.35
Recruitment, Big Four event, Backpack to Briefcase event, Quinnipiac Conference
Allocated: \$2,600
Quinnipiac Conference fees: \$2,600
- Hofstra Quidditch
Requested: \$2,604.89
Coach's Salary, Rutgers Tournament, World Cup Hotels

Allocated: \$1,831.40

Coach's Salary: \$1,250

World Cup Hotels: \$581.40

- **Guitar Club**

Requested: \$337.90

Food for mid semester show, food for end of the semester show

Allocated: \$168.95

Food: \$168.95

- Budget Weekend Review

- a. **Budgets due:** March 25th @ 11:59 PM to sga_budgets@pride.hofstra.edu

- b. **Budget Weekend:** March 27th & March 28th

- c. **Club Appeals:** April 1st – April 3rd @ 11:59 PM

- d. **Appeals Senate:** April 16th

Total Requested: \$14,634.62

Total Allocated: \$8,246.72

% Allocated: 56%

Meeting Adjourned: 8:25 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Damian Gallagher

Appropriations Chairman

Programming Board Minutes

March 2, 2015

Attendance: Chairperson Whitney S., Priya G., Coco S., Kelly M., Ashlyn G., Danielle E., Danielle K., Nyala S., Cory M., Christian R.,

Special Guest: Secretary Jenna W.

Absent: Amber B., Alex K., Michelle H.

Meeting commenced: 6:01 PM

1) Special Business

- a. Met with ROTC, our event will be a PT boot camp, with tire flips etc. Follow up meeting March 18th
- b. Meeting with BSU, event is projected to be in April
- c. Looking for new entertainment acts for April. Any suggestions are welcomed!

2) Upcoming Events

- a. **Toms Event Part 1 – March 9th – 11th (atrium tables)**
 - i. Shoes sales, \$20 a pair
- b. **Toms Event Part 2 Sales – April 14th (Multi Purpose Room)**
 - i. Toms pick up/decoration

Meeting adjourned: 6:23 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Whitney Shepherd

Programming Board Chairwoman

Programming Board Minutes

March 9, 2015

Attendance: Chairperson Whitney S., Priya G., Coco S., Kelly M., Ashlyn G., Danielle K., Nyala S., Cory M., Christian R., Alex K., Michelle H., Dana C., Kasey R., Ashlyn G.

Absent: Amber B., Alex K.,

Meeting commenced: 6:02 PM

1) Special Business

- a. Swore in three new programmers: Kasey, Dana, and Ashlyn!!!
- b. BSU: Rolling In To Spring Skate Event: April 25th

2) Upcoming Events

- a. **Carnival Stress Buster – April 14th @ 6:00 PM (Multi Purpose Room West)**
 - i. Free cotton candy, popcorn, carnival games, balloon animals, and more!
- b. **Toms Event Part 2 Sales – April 13th @ 6:00 PM (Multi Purpose Room)**
 - i. Toms pick up/decoration

Meeting adjourned: 6:33 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Whitney Shepherd

Programming Board Chairwoman

SGA Public Relations Minutes

March 3, 2015

Call to order: 6:05 PM

In Attendance: Chair Gitlin, Senator Diaz, Senator Tacconelli, and Senator Shafranski

New Business

- This Semester's Agenda
 - March 10th - Press release with Comptroller Guarino
 - March 16th - Workshop with Senate on presenting SGA at the Corner
 - April 2rd – Press release
 - April 15th - Film State of SGA with President Atkinson
 - April 21st - Release State of SGA
- Avenir Font on a U-Drive with cabinet access
- PR advertisement of SGA social networks at the end of Press Releases

New Potential Initiatives

- Plaque next to completed initiatives

Icebreaker

Adjourned: 7:03 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Forrest Gitlin

Public Relations Chairman

SGA Public Relations Minutes

March 10, 2015

Call to order: 4:20 PM

In Attendance: Chair Gitlin, Senator Diaz, Senator Tacconelli, and Senator Shafranski

Visiting: Comptroller Alyson Guarino, Senator Rita Cinquemani

New Business

- Video Press Release
 - Filmed it (courtesy of Senator Cinquemani)
 - Exported it
 - Edited it (courtesy of Senator Cinquemani)
- Brand Packet Review
 - Should include info on color schemes that are acceptable beyond those presented
 - Should have cover and last date updated
- University Tutorial Program (UTP) advertisement
 - Academic Affairs Chair Andrews is taking the lead on this but PR does have ideas:
 - Have UTP info in all class syllabi
 - Have info on HofCast
 - Poster board

Adjourned: 7:30 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Forrest Gitlin

Public Relations Chairman

Spirit Minutes

February 24, 2015

Attendance: Chairperson Harris, Senator Cinquemani, Senator Stengel, Senator Shafranski, Senator

Price

Meeting called to order: 5:12 PM

- CAA for next year
 - a. Early advertising
 - b. Utilizing shuttle buses and department
- Spirit Rock
 - a. Finalize portfolio
 - b. Meet with administration
 - c. Anyone welcome to give advice about Spirit Rock
- Sub-committees
 - a. Athletic committee: Senator Stengel Flea Market portfolio
 - i. Will be at Senate next week
 - b. Hofstra/Spirit committee: Communicate w/ other departments to promote their student events
- Next Week's games:
 - a. Women's CAA Tournament: 3/13 – 3/15, Upper Marlboro, MD
 - i. 3/13 Quarterfinals @ 7:30 PM
 - ii. 3/14 Semifinals TBA
 - iii. 3/15 Championship game TBA
 - b. Women's Lacrosse vs. John Hopkins University: 3/14 @ 3:00 PM, James Shuart Stadium
 - c. Men's Lacrosse vs. St. John's University: 3/17 @ 7:00 PM, James Shuart Stadium
 - d. Hofstra Softball vs. Dartmouth College: 3/18 @ 3:00 PM, Hofstra Softball Stadium
 - e. Men's Tennis vs. Wagner College: 3/20 @ 12:00 PM, Hofstra Outdoor Tennis Center
 - f. Women's Tennis vs. Wagner College: 3/20 @ 12:00 PM, Hofstra Outdoor Tennis Center

Meeting adjourned: 6:20 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Harris

Spirit Chairwoman

***Student Services Committee
Hofstra Student Government Association
Hofstra University, Long Island, New York***

March 10, 2015

Attendance: Senator Stengel, Senator Ahmedin, and Chairperson Manuel

Absent: Senator Esteban (Excused)

- I. Call to Order: 6:30PM
- II. Student Appreciation Week
 - a. Brainstormed events for the week. Chair Manuel will look into room availabilities
- III. Updates
 - a. Residence Hall Lounge Remotes
 - i. The IT Dep't and Plant will be taking over this initiative
- IV. Adjournment: 6:55PM

Respectfully submitted,

Mikio Manuel

Student Services Chairman