



**Agenda of the Senate
Hofstra University Student Government Association
February 8th, 2023
Hofstra University**

Call to order

Meeting Called to order at 7:00 PM EST

A. Quorum Call

- a. Quorum set to 26

B. New Business

- a. Comptroller Greenlaw moves to suspend the rules
 - i. Motion Seconded
 - ii. Motion Passed
- b. Charades!
- c. Comptroller Greenlaw moves to reinstate the rules

C. Approval of the Minutes

- a. Secretary Egolf moves to pass the Senate minutes from 2/1
 - i. Motion Seconded
 - ii. Motion Passed
- b. Senator Caba moves to pass the [Cabinet](#) minutes from 2/7
 - i. Motion Seconded
 - ii. Motion Passed

D. E-board Reports

- a. President
 - i. Jess Updates
 - 1. SAS
 - 2. Hof Card
 - ii. Provost Meeting
- b. Vice President
 - i. I won't be here next week so please be super respectful of the chair
 - ii. In two weeks we will be compiling our elections commission and turnover is finally scheduled for April 25th!

- iii. Anything you want to see this semester? Let me know!
- iv. We don't have a guest for the rest of the month.
- v. Ask me about my position! Start thinking a little bit about elections and future plans. Reach out to Lincoln and I if you have any questions
- c. Comptroller
 - i. Finance Report...maybe...hopefully
- d. Secretary
 - i. Do ya office hours 🙌
 - ii. Looking into Formal!!
 - 1. Thoughts on options?
 - iii. [Merch](#) Vote :)

E. Committee Chair Reports

- a. Appropriations
 - i. Yay Allocations!
 - 1. Saw 6 clubs this week
 - a. Men's Club Soccer
 - b. Model UN
 - c. Women's Club Lacrosse
 - d. MSA
 - e. Rock Climbing
 - f. Men's Club Basketball
 - 2. Allocated a total of \$12,598.22!
 - a. \$5,620 from the Campus Rec Fund
 - 3. Allocations breakdown is at the bottom of the minutes
 - ii. Treasurer Training next week <3
 - iii. Ask me about my position :)
- b. Club Resources
 - i. Committee was GREAT this week...talked a lot about how clubs function and potential changes
 - 1. Everyone gave great ideas on the Club Report Card
 - ii. Application to become a new club closes TOMORROW!
 - iii. If any of you are in a club that has a club office or things in the club storage space, please please please keep those places clean!
 - iv. Let me know if you want to talk to me about my position!
- c. Communications
 - i. [Tune Tuesday](#) and [Birthday Graphic](#)
 - ii. Shoutout to my Committee for being so wonderful
 - iii. Ask me about my position!
- d. Programming
 - i. Valentines Day Photobooth

1. February 14th, 1-6pm
2. [TABLING LINK](#)

e. Academic Affairs

- i. ISA & SFS

f. Equity & Inclusion

- i. Thank You for Coming to Black @ Hofstra <3
- ii. WOMEN @ HOFSTRA – MARCH 6TH
- iii. DISABILITY COMMUNITY @ HOFSTRA – MARCH 11TH
- iv. AAPI @ HOFSTRA – APRIL 1ST
- v. Text if you ever need anything!
 1. P.S. Ask Me About My Position (it's the best)!

g. Facilities & Operations

- i. I hope it was a great second week!
- ii. February 12th-16th is Compass's Delightful Week
- iii. Interested in my position? Ask up! <3

h. Wellness & Campus Safety

- i. Feb 12th - 16th is Love, Sex, and Friendship Week
 1. [Sign up to table on February 13th!](#)
- ii. Ask me about my position! We can grab coffee, food, etc.

F. Approval of Committee Minutes

- a. Senator Joyal moves to pass the allocations from 2/6
 - i. Motion seconded
 - ii. Motion passed
- b. Chair DiSanto moves to pass the committee minutes from 2/8
 - i. Motion seconded
 - ii. Motion passed

G. Collaborative Business

a. Dining Dollar for Sophomores

- i. President Anniballi: First years received an email this week about dining dollars going forward. Currently, freshmen have to pick one of the top three highest meal plans. They are changing it so that sophomores have to do the same. There are a couple reasons. This is because many select a lower meal value and then run out. The second reason is because sophomores are more likely to still be living on campus compared to upperclassmen. Along with other reasons. You can send in an appeal, and they will look into letting you know if you can get approved for a lower plan.
 1. Senator Denson: I had a lot of money left over my first semester. I don't think I need that much money again, and I was already on the lowest possible plan.

- a. VP Livingston: Yes, they are also going to look into spending patterns. So if you have some left over, they will see that and look into it with your appeal. They also look into the spending habits because maybe you were spending a lot of money at the end for friends, gifts, etc.
- b. Chair Giovannangelo: The current options don't make sense and Compass shouldn't definitely expand the options. Students are allowed to add money to their cards for this reason and the discrepancy between the top three plans are illogical.
- c. VP Livingston: They are thinking about enforcing all students to have a dining plan with a minimum of \$400 meal plan, including commuters. This essentially will require a commuter plan.
- d. Senator Malik: I think students should be allowed to appeal a specific number, which allows campus to better address the issues.
- e. Chair Guenfoud: As someone who lives off campus, has found joy in cooking herself, and is very picky about food, being mandated to pick a meal plan doesn't feel the most useful or independent.
- f. President Anniballi: The sophomore thing is 100% happening, the commuter thing is still in the works.
- g. Senator Singh: I know it's definitely happening, but why is it an issue that sophomores can add more money onto it anyway, so why just them.
- h. VP Livingston: Because some people don't have access to add more funds and with making plans they will be covered by loans, and whatever is being added on can't come from a loan or scholarship. They showed us the numbers, it is happening. In a few weeks Vice President Jess Eads will be coming and you are more than welcome to respectfully bring up this issue. Vice President Barkwill will also be coming, and you may do likewise. Maybe start thinking about things you would like to bring up that won't sit well with most people.
- i. President Anniballi: If you do run out it's better to pay with your student card due to tax free
- j. Secretary Egolf: I had so much money left over I bought an obscene amount of things, after which I was able to switch

down to the lower one. In theory anyone- upper or lower classman- could pick a lower plan and not be able to add to more money, so the logic doesn't make sense. I understand the concern about doing a lower plan but then not having the money for it, perhaps we remind people when doing their loan applications to pick a plan based on their previous history. Better informing students, and then going through their records would be best going forward.

- k. President Anniballi: some loans don't work that way, it might be need based.
- l. VP Livingston: Hence that would not work based off of the factors that constitute loan.
- m. Senator Singh: Can people see their spending patterns?
- n. VP Livingston: Yes you can online through the portal
- o. President Anniballi: You can also check through Atrium.
- p. Senator Joyal: If you have money left over after the second semester, it is not reimbursed. So there's a problem of money disappearing.
- q. VP Livingston: We can't change that it is contractual based and most universities will never change that.
- r. President Anniballi: This is an idea we had, definitely not approved yet. We were thinking that any leftover money that won't be spent is gathered together and is distributed to the pride pantry or joint accounts.
- s. Chair Giovannangelo: That's a great idea.
- t. Secretary Egolf: You can also lower your meal plan in between semesters. The money transfers from fall to spring, unless you lower your meal plan.
- u. VP Livingston: The money will also rolls over if you increase your meal plan between semesters
- v. Chair Wrazin moves to open up the gallery.
 - i. Motion Seconded
 - ii. Motion Passed
- w. Luke (Gallery): On February 12th, meal plan money rolls over and past that date you cannot change your meal plan for the current spring semester.
- x. President Anniballi: We are just giving you all the facts, and even if we don't agree with it we are getting opinions
- y. Chair Giovannangelo: So this is not just a Compass decision?

- z. President Anniballi: It is not, but they need to make profit. If they didnt raise then, and they aren't raising more revenue, the only other option would be to shut down a dining location. Students would rather have Compass making more profit, than losing an option for dining.
- aa. VP Livingston: They also did consult data in making this decision and found there was a substantial enough amount of people running out, or adding dining dollars.
- bb. President Anniballi: This is all a hyper data-driven decision. Thank you for all your feedback and we will provide updates.
- b. Senator Mahlati moves to close the gallery
 - i. Motion Seconded
 - ii. Motion Passes

H. For Good of the Order

I. Announcements

J. Snap Cup

- a. **What is the most ridiculous fact you know?**

K. Adjournment

- a. Chair Jackson moves to adjourn this meeting
 - i. Motion seconded
 - ii. Motion passed
 - 1. Meeting adjourned at 8:53 EST

Club/Organization	Amount Requested	Amount Allocated	%
Men's Club Basketball	\$2,500.00	\$1,950.00	78%
Women's Club Lacrosse	\$833.97	\$809.98	97.12%
Men's Club Soccer	\$1,050.00	\$585.00	55.71%
MSA	\$1,668.12	\$1,168.12	70.03%
Rock Climbing	\$7,174.00	\$5,290.00	73.74%
Model UN	\$2,823.25	\$2,295.12	81.29%