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University of South Florida Bureau Advisory Council Meeting

May 15th, 2014

Cocco: Happy Thursday, May 15th, 2014. Transition meeting regarding the Bureau advisory council (BAC) in conjunction with title 10, Statue 1004.6.1 “This council shall be called no later than the second Thursday of the applicable term”. In attendance we have our graduate advisor Adam Kowalski, Senate President Andy Rodriguez, Attorney General Daniel Christopher, Greg Berkowitz, Public Communications director Joe Michalsky, and JEC Chairwomen Kristen Truong. Mr. Chris Johnson, our Appropriations Chairmen, is excused and we are waiting to see if Masha will be joining us. So Danny if you would like to explain the purpose of the BAC.

Christopher: So the purpose of the BAC is to review and advise all bureaus of Student Government. This falls under Statue 1004.2 Statue 1004.3 states the following are members of the BAC: Student Body President (or designee), Student Senate President (or designee), Chairman of the Senate Committee on Appropriations, the Attorney General, the Chief Financial Officer (CFO), the Chairman of the Senate Committee on Judiciary and Ethics, Director of SGATO, ex officio non-voting and the Director of ASMB, ex officio non-voting. Now under Statue 1004.4 it states “Bureaus shall consult with the BAC before making any policy or structural changes to their respective Bureaus. Student Government shall not be held responsible for any action or change implemented without prior consent of the council.” And under 1004.5 it states “All Bureaus should consult with the BAC on hiring decisions.” 1004.6 as Cocco said “The Student Body President shall call the first meeting of the Bureau Advisory Council no later than the second Thursday of the applicable Student Government Term.” which is today, and it says under 1004.7 “The Student Body President shall serve as the chair of the council and shall only vote in the event of a tie.” So the meeting today is to determine when we will start officially meeting the BAC with a date and time for those meetings to commence throughout the year.

Cocco: I would also like to note that our acting CFO Michalsky will be on this council as well.

Christopher: Correct

Cocco: So availabilities? I know your leaving soon.

Kowalski: You guys decide your options

Cocco: You have classes Andy?

Rodriguez: I have classes Monday's and Wednesday's from 3:30 to 5:30. Tuesday night's I have Senate. I have committee meetings but I don't have to go to them.

Cocco: Ms. Masha from the ASBO office has joined us. We are meeting to figure out times to meet throughout the Summer.

Berkowitz: How often does it say we have to have these meetings?

Christopher: It doesn't say the amount of times you have to meet it just says "Bureaus shall consult with the BAC before making any policy or structural changes to their respective Bureaus" so as it says in the title its more of an advisory council than a committee that meets weekly.

Berkowitz: Do you think monthly would be appropriate?

Cocco: Bi-Monthly or something like that

Masha: I would do it on an as need basis.

Cocco: Alright that makes sense

Christopher: Do we want to set a date in case something did come up and wanted to meet about it?

Cocco: Over summer I don't think so. Ok since now we're all together except Johnson isn't here, our Appropriations chair, let's go ahead and conduct business. Ms. Masha you had something you wanted to present us with?

Masha: I'm not ready yet, but there are some changes I want to make.

Cocco: Then let's set a date that you can present something to us. June?

Masha: Middle June?

Cocco: Ok that's fine. Pick a doodle date in the middle of June Danny if you don't mind and send it out to everybody.

Christopher: Ok

Cocco: Andy do you have anything?

Rodriguez: Nope

Cocco: Danny?

Christopher: No

Cocco: Ok then we'll send out a doodle and figure out a date in June and this accomplishes the requirement of having to meet. With that lets go ahead and adjourn this meeting.

Christopher: Ok this meeting is adjourned at 3:15pm.