The open Student Forum with the Board of Trustees of Broward College was called to order at 12:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 22, 2013 by Chair Sean Guerin at the A. Hugh Adams Central Campus, 3501 S.W. Davie Road, Building 4, Bailey Hall, Davie, Florida 33314. In attendance were Chair Sean Guerin, Vice Chair Sean Alveshire, Trustee John Benz, Trustee Pamela Stephany, General Counsel Gregory Haile, and President J. David Armstrong, Jr.

A presentation of colors was performed by the Institute of Public Safety.

Chair Guerin called on Al Williams, Army ROTC Leader, to lead in the Pledge of Allegiance.

INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME

Dr. Mercedes Quiroga, Campus President welcomed everyone to the Central Campus Bailey Hall and called on David Asencio, Dean of Student Affairs to recognize the Student Organizations and Student Government presenters.

Mr. David Asencio, Dean of Student Affairs introduced the Anthropology Club, the Asian American Club, the Dance Club, the Gay Straight Alliance, the Honor Student Committee, the Institute of Electronic Engineers, Kappa Delta Pi, Latin American Student Association, the Music Club, Muslim Student Association, Phi Theta Kappa, Readers Society, and Sister to Sister.

Mr. Asencio acknowledged the student presenters as Iris Caro, Chief of Staff, William Beersman, Public Relations Senator, Carmen Henriquez, Student Organization Council Senator, Kareysha Nieves, Board of Trustees Presentation Senator, and Kimberly Aldunate, Student Government President.

STUDENT PRESENTATIONS

Iris Caro, Chief of Staff, introduced the Student Government and presented a short video clip on the events taken place throughout the semester.

William Beersman, Public Relations Senator, provided an overview and update of the 2011-2012 issues for the A. Hugh Adams Central Campus. The issues included classroom technology, electronic parking signs, a jogging and walking track, and cafeteria value meals. As a result Smart Boards were installed in the classrooms at Central Campus with plans to install more, due to a limited budget the project to install electronic parking signs has been postponed, funding and identifying a location for the walking and jogging track is still being researched, and the College has a new food provider, Food Service Incorporated, which offers value meals for $5.83 to students.

Camen Henriquez, Student Organization Council Senator, provided an overview and update of the 2011-2012 issue for the Willis Holcombe Center which included an expanded area for
students in the Learning Resource Center. As a result the Learning Resource Center has added room 429 for student use. Ms. Henriquez identified the 2012-2013 issue for the Willis Holcombe Center which included a request of a seating arrangement in the area surrounding the Dunkin Donuts kiosk.

Kareysha Nieves, Board of Trustees Presentation Senator, presented the 2012-2013 issues for the A. Hugh Adams Central Campus. The identified issues included requests for a meditation room, the installation of a digital board used in a high traffic area and updated water fountains. Kimberly Aldunate, Student Government President, presented a short video about Student Ambassadors.

OPEN FORUM

Jose Lopez, Director of Student Life and Development, began the open forum by welcoming students to the podium.

Students Mary Nguyen, Edwin Martinez, Minh Tran, Raquel Hay, Kareysha Nieves, Daniel Sohn, Matthew Kitten, and Carlos Porras provided their comments about their experiences at Broward College.

Student Grace Sarango asked for the College to look into a program that assists international students in the purchasing of textbooks. President Armstrong asked Ms. Sarango to follow up with Dean Asencio and provide more information so the College could look into her suggestion.

Student Luis Tanon expressed that there is a lack of Honors Science courses available and suggested an Honors campus. President Armstrong asked Dr. Quiroga to follow up and research the need for an expansion in Honors Science courses and an Honors dedicated campus.

Student Miguel Sandoval expressed his concern about security and proactive preparation on campus. President Armstrong stated that security and safety is very important to the College and identified the new alert system that notifies students immediately of any security situations. President Armstrong suggested more student information sessions to provide ongoing and updated information to students as it relates to security and safety.

2013 State of the Campus Address

Dr. Mercedes Quiroga, Campus President presented the accomplishments and highlights of the A. Hugh Adams Central Campus and Willis Holcombe Center over the last year and announced events to take place throughout the current year.

With no further business to discuss, the Student Forum with the Board of Trustees was adjourned at 1:00 p.m.