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SGC Meeting Minutes

December 1, 1999

President Amorin called the meeting to order at 4:20 PM.

Roll Call

Jaime Aguilera
Orlando Amorin
Michael Barnett
Elvira Marie Chang
Rajesh K. Chatrani (LT 4:23 PM)
Bettina Inclan
Robert Joyce (AB)
Perry Kyles

Carlos Lopez (AB)
Luis Moreno
Max Orezzaoli
Victor Romano
Patrice Scipio (AB)
Sergio Tigera
Pedro Luis Vidal (AB)
Duhaney Williams

Others

Michelle Castro
George Corton
Paulina Muñoz
Eric Pfaeffle

Wilmide Philossaint
Wellington Richards, Jr.
Kirk Weiss (AB)

Standing Councils

Joanette Brooks (SOC)
Florence Caranza (GSA) (AB)
Natasha Cooper (RHA)

Lorraine DeDiego (Honors)
Armando Rodriguez (SPC) (LT)

Minutes passed as written.

Reports from the Executive Council

Orlando Amorin, President

No report.

Perry Kyles, Comptroller

No report.

Reports of Standing Committees

Academic Affairs

Cram Jam will be held on December 16. Volunteers are needed.

Campus Life

No report.

Elections

The special elections were successful.

Student Services / Student Union Board

No reports.

Reports of Standing Councils

GSA

The Executive Board is currently setting up the calendar of upcoming events for the next semester and working on scholarly forums, etc.

Honors / Panther Rage

No reports.

RHA

RHA is now done with this semester's programming.

SOC

The entire Executive Board has resigned. Elections for the new Executive Board will be held the first week of the new semester.

SPC

No report.

New Business

DSL Report

Corton discussed the Florida One Initiative and reviewed the handouts that were distributed.

RES 99-15

The Resolution was explained. After discussion, President Amarin moved to vote. Motion passed 8 in favor, 1 opposed, 0 abstention.

RES 99-16

The Resolution was explained. After discussion, President Amarin moved to vote. Motion passed unanimously.

APP 99-10

Comptroller Kyles explained the appropriation. After discussion, President Amarin moved to vote. Motion passed unanimously.

APP 99-11

Comptroller Kyles explained the appropriation. After discussion, President Amarin moved to vote. Motion passed unanimously.

APP 99-12

Comptroller Kyles explained the appropriation and gave a brief history of the event. Rep. Tigera moved to increase the allocation to \$610, seconded by Rep. Romano. Motion passed unanimously.

Announcements

- Next meeting will be after resumption of classes
- Holiday party will take place December 9th at 6:30 PM
- Town hall meeting at North Campus when classes resume
- Good luck with finals

Meeting adjourned at 5:06 PM.

SGC Meeting Minutes

January 12, 2000

President Amorin called the meeting to order at 4:15 PM.

Roll Call

Jaime Aguilera
Orlando Amorin
Michael Barnett
Joanette Brooks
Elvira Marie Chang (AB)
Rajesh K. Chatrani
Bettina Inclan (LT 4:25 PM)
Robert Joyce (AB)
Perry Kyles

Carlos Lopez (Resigned)
Luis Moreno
Max Orezzaoli
Victor Romano
Patrice Scipio
Sergio Tigera
Pedro Luis Vidal (AB)
Duhaney Williams (AB)

Others

Michelle Castro
George Corton
Paulina Muñoz
Eric Pfaeffle

Wilmide Philossaint
Wellington Richards, Jr.
Kirk Weiss

Standing Councils

Adela Lopez (SOC)

Minutes passed as written.

Reports from the Executive Council

Orlando Amorin, President

President Amorin welcomed everyone back and introduced Joanette Brooks as the new Vice President.

Joanette Brooks, Vice President

Vice President Brooks expressed her excitement with her new position and her enthusiasm to take on her new responsibilities.

Perry Kyles, Comptroller

Comptroller Kyles announced that the budget process for the next council year will begin shortly. There will be a finance meeting on January 19 at 4:00 PM in GC 350.

Reports of Standing Committees

Academic Affairs

Philossaint thanked all those that volunteered or participated in the December Cram Jam.

Campus Life

No report.

Elections

The election board committee will be meeting to discuss special elections concerns.

Student Services

The following goals have been met:

- Develop solutions to the parking dilemma
- Develop solutions for phone registration problems
- Reinstate deferral of fees payment program
- Ensure that Internet access in the library is operating
- Investigate the possibility of having the computer labs in the Residence Hall Apartments open 224 hours a day
- Ensure plans of the construction of sidewalks for the new entrance

The following goals have not yet been achieved

- Eliminate the use of trailers for classroom purposes
- Investigate how CITF funds are being used and insure that student concerns are being met
- Make Internships available for economics major students
- Insure that lights are on in the parking garage during the early morning hours

Student Union Board

No report.

Reports of Standing Councils

GSA / Honors

No reports.

Panther Rage

The Pep Rally to kick-off Homecoming will be February 1. There will be a bonfire February 4 by Greek Housing.

RHA

Natasha Cooper has resigned. There will be a meeting January 14.

SOC

The holiday brunch was a success. Elections will be held for SOC positions shortly.

SPC

No report.

New Business

DSL Report

Corton discussed the Florida One Initiative and announced that he will be attending the January 21 FSA meeting at USF.

APP 00-1

Comptroller Kyles explained the appropriation. After discussion, President Amorin asked the Council if he and the finance committee could make the decision on funding. Rep. Tigera so moved, seconded by Rep. Inclan. Motion passed unanimously.

Announcements

- MLK breakfast on January 13 at 8:00 AM in the ballrooms
- Representative pictures are available for viewing with Zory
- Make the year count

Meeting adjourned at 4:45 PM.

SGC Meeting Minutes

November 17, 1999

President Amorin called the meeting to order at 4:09 PM.

Roll Call

Jaime Aguilera
Orlando Amorin
Michael Barnett (LT 4:19 PM)
Elvira Marie Chang
Rajesh K. Chatrani (LT 4:17 PM)
Bettina Inclan
Robert Joyce (LT 4:19 PM)
Perry Kyles

Carlos Lopez (AB)
Luis Moreno
Max Orezzaoli
Victor Romano (AB)
Patrice Scipio
Sergio Tigera (LT 4:11 PM)
Pedro Luis Vidal (AB)
Duhaney Williams

Others

Michelle Castro
George Corton
Paulina Muñoz
Eric Pfaeffle

Wilmide Philossaint
Wellington Richards, Jr.
Kirk Weiss

Standing Councils

Joanette Brooks (SOC)
Florence Caranza (GSA) (AB)
Natasha Cooper (RHA)

Lorraine DeDiego (Honors)
Armando Rodriguez (SPC) (LT)

Guests

Ruth Hamilton (Campus Life)
Sharon Hart (Campus Life)
Mary Alice Manella (Campus Life)
Ronnie Mittleman (Campus Life)
Michelle Perez (Campus Life)

Marisa Rodriguez (Campus Life)
Jennifer Silberman (Campus Life)
Todd Sullivan (Campus Life)
Ana Tang (Campus Life)

Minutes corrected to show Wilmide Philossaint present at the October 17th meeting and passed.

Reports from the Executive Council

Orlando Amorin, President

President Amorin announced that November 22-23 the revisions to the SGA constitution will be voted on by the student body as referendums. Good luck to all candidates in the special election. Also congratulations are in order for the Honors Council for its successful luncheon and to Campus Life for its Hispanic Heritage celebrations.

Perry Kyles, Comptroller

No report.

Reports of Standing Committees

Academic Affairs

The planning for Cram Jam has been completed. The remaining needed funds were contributed by Dr. Gallagher. The intern scholarship has finally been cleared. Professor evaluation forms are still being reviewed for possible revisions.

Campus Life

No Report.

Elections

Richards is preparing for the November 22-23 elections.

Student Services

Pfaeffle reported that each committee member has been assigned specific tasks regarding the computer labs, parking, phone registration, etc. and is in the process of resolving issues regarding same.

Student Union Board

Weiss is currently working on the panther mural for the west wall as well as a survey with Pfaeffle's student services committee.

Reports of Standing Councils

GSA

No report.

Honors

The November 12 Thanksgiving networking reception went well; both students and faculty attended. December 1 is the Graduates Reception; five students will be receiving awards.

Panther Rage

November 19 is the first basketball game; a tailgate party will run from 5:00-7:30 PM. Panther Rage will be very involved in Homecoming and is researching bonfires.

RHA

RHA is currently researching the possibility of a grad wing. RHA's general meeting is November 17 in Building A at 9:00 PM. The annual Thanksgiving dinner in the cafeteria will be November 18.

SOC

The next meeting is scheduled for November 30 in GC 140. The E-Board has appointed a new Special Events Chair.

SPC

The Thanksgiving luncheon is scheduled for November 18.

New Business

APP 99-9 Graduation Celebration

Comptroller Kyles gave an explanation of the appropriation. Discussion followed. Rep. Tigera moved to approve, seconded by Rep. Aguilera. Motion passed 9 in favor, 1 opposed.

Bill 99-8 Finance Policy

Comptroller Kyles explained the changes in the finance policy represented by the bill. After discussion, President Amorin moved to vote. Motion passed 8 in favor, 2 opposed, 1 abstention.

Campus Life Staff Introductions

Director Ruth Hamilton introduced the following staff, briefly citing their functions: Sharon Hart, Associate Director; Mary Alice Manella, Associate Director; Jennifer Silberman, Coordinator; Michelle Perez, Leadership; Ronnie Mittleman, Marketing; Marisa Rodriguez, Finance; Todd Sullivan, Greeks; Ana Tang, Volunteer Action Center. Accreditation will be in February.

DSL Report

Corton thanked the representatives for their help with the voter registration drive; 200 new voters were registered. The drive will be held again in the spring. On November 18 Corton will attend the FSA Board of Regents meeting.

Elections Committee Report

Richards presented the names of his prospective committee members: Beatriz Bruna, Denise Hopkinson, Suzette Jaggan, Raul Perez, Jr., Mustapha Strachan, and Alana Vila (alternate). President Amorin moved to vote on the slate, which passed unanimously.

Announcements

- Elections next week
- Emerging Leaders Seminar at South, Saturday, November 20
- Photographs December 1 -2
- Reminder -- sign in and fill out Report of Work Performed forms. Time cards are due tomorrow.

Meeting adjourned at 5:15 PM.

SGC Meeting Minutes

May 19, 1999

President Amorin called the meeting to order at 4:25 PM

Roll Call

Jaime Aguilera (LT 4:50 PM))
Orlando Amorin
Michael Barnett
Elvira Marie Chang
Rajesh K. Chatrani (LT 4:55 PM)
Rachel Francar
Bettina Inclan
Irfan Jindani
Danielle A. Jones

Carlos Lopez (AB)
Luis Moreno
Max Orezzaoli (Left at 4:37 PM)
Victor Romano
Patrice Scipio
Sergio Tigera
Pedro Luis Vidal
Duhaney Williams

Others

Marjorie Aguero
Michelle Castro
Natasha Cooper
Robert Grant
Perry Kyles
Vaughn Martin
Eric Pfaeffle

Wilmide Philossaint
Nadja Prias
Kevin Sinclair
Julia Suarez
Renata Thomas
Pedro Luis Vidal
Kirk Weiss

Guests

Beacon Staff Reporter

Minutes were passed as written with correction to Elvira's middle name.

Reports from the Executive Council

Orlando Amorin, President

President Amorin thanked everyone for attending the Penny Rally. He announced the elections for today as scheduled and wished good luck to everyone running.

Danielle A. Jones, Vice President

Vice President Jones congratulated President Amorin on his efforts with the Penny Rally and wished all of today's candidates good luck.

Reports of Standing Councils

Honors Council

Marjorie Aguero reported the Honors Council had a meeting on Friday, May 14th. They are working on a point system, a brochure and a handbook.

GSA / SOC / SPC

No reports given as no representatives of the above councils were present.

RHA

Natasha Cooper reported that the RHA internship program has begun in conjunction with University Housing. This program allows selected student leaders to work within different areas of the department in exchange for a credit toward their summer housing payment. The dates for Florida Association of Residence Halls State Conference will be held February 25 - 27, 2000 at Florida State University. The State Leadership Summit will be held at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University. The dates will be announced. They are currently working on their constitution.

New Business

Elections for Committee Chairs

Each candidate was given three minutes to speak and two minutes for a question and answer period. Quorum was nine. Five committee chairs were elected as follows:

Academic Affairs – Wilvide Philossaint

Ms. Philossaint ran unopposed.

Elections

Neither of the two candidates, Jessica Del Sol and Carolina Palacios, was present. Rep. Tejerias moved to table the election of this chair, seconded by Rep. Romano. Motion passed unanimously. Rep. Orezza moved to open the application process for this chair, seconded by Rep. Romano. Motion passed (11 yes, 1 no, 1 abstain).

Comptroller – Perry Kyles

The two candidates were Vaughn Martin and Perry Kyles.

Campus Life – Pedro Luis Vidal

Of the three candidates, Nadja Prias and Pedro Luis Vidal were present.

Student Services – Eric Pfaeffle

The two candidates were Robert Grant and Eric Pfaeffle.

Student Union – Kirk Weiss

All three candidates were present – Kevin Sinclair, Renata Thomas and Kirk Weiss

Announcements

- Reminder – sign in and fill out Report of Work Performed forms
- FSA meeting May 28, 1999 at FAU
- FSA meeting June 25, 1999 in Miami – North Campus
- SGA Retreat June 4 - 6, 1999 is in Key Largo at the Marriott Hotel.

Meeting adjourned at 6:03 PM.

SGC Meeting Minutes

June 2, 1999

President Amorin called the meeting to order at 4:15 PM

Roll Call

Jaime Aguilera (AB)

Orlando Amorin

Michael Barnett (LT 4:30 PM)

Elvira Marie Chang (AB)

Rajesh K. Chatrani (AB)

Rachel Francar

Bettina Inclan

Irfan Jindani (AB)

Danielle A. Jones

Perry Kyles

Carlos Lopez

Luis Moreno (AB)

Max Orezzaoli (AB)

Victor Romano (AB)

Patrice Scipio

Sergio Tigera

Pedro Luis Vidal

Duhaney Williams

Others

Michelle Castro

Natasha Cooper

Paulina Muñoz

Wilvide Philossaint

Greg Trujillo

Guests

Panhellenic Council

Interfraternity Council

Minutes were passed as written with correction that Carlos Lopez was late rather than absent.

Reports from the Executive Council

Orlando Amorin, President

President Amorin met with administrators about the law school. He encourages all students to send letter to the Board of Regents; a list will be provided. He reminded all the representatives to empty out mailboxes due to the remodeling of the office.

Danielle A. Jones, Vice President

Vice President Jones gave an example of how to present monthly reports. She reminded representatives that the reports do not have to be written but Miss Castro should be informed to place it on the agenda.

During this past month she met with four directors of Student Affairs and reports the following: Judicial Affairs encourages students to apply for the Student Judicial Board. The Health and Wellness Center encourages students to join their developing committees. Housing is planning several events. Campus Life is planning Welcome Back Week and other events.

Other meetings: She attended the Round Table discussion about the underage drinking law and discussed the setup of an alcohol committee. She was unable to attend the FSA meeting. She met with Dr. Paul Gallagher, Dr. Patricia Telles-Irvin and Chuck Tinder to set up a fee committee. Tuition will increase 5%. (Perry Kyles is working on an article for the *Beacon*). Orlando will be attending the next meeting. She attended Writing Across the Disciplines meeting. They have plans for additional assistanceship programs.

Perry Kyles, Comptroller

He thanked everyone for the positive feedback since his election. The budget has not yet been approved. The finance committee needs to look at how past funds were spent.

Reports of Standing Committees

Academic Affairs

Currently they are working on SGA scholarships. Recipients will be notified July 1st.

Campus Life

No report.

Student Services / Student Union Board

No representative present.

Reports of Standing Councils

GSA

No report.

Honors/SOC/SPC

No representative present.

RHA

Currently working on the constitution.

Old Business

Retreat

Everyone was given a memo containing all pertinent information including a map, departure, arrival and check-out times and clothing needed. Binders will be provided at the Retreat containing seminar materials. A reminder: This is an FIU event and drinking violations are subject to judicial review. Attendance at the Retreat is compulsory; non-attendance is grounds for impeachment

Announcements

- Reminder -- sign in and fill out Report of Work Performed forms
- FSA meeting June 25, 1999 in Miami --- North Campus
- SGA Retreat June 4 - 6, 1999 is in Key Largo at the Marriott Hotel.
- Rededication of the BA building June 11, 1999
- Law school trip to Tallahassee July 14-16, 1999

Meeting adjourned at 5:00 PM.

SGC Meeting Minutes

July 7, 1999

President Amorin called the meeting to order at 4:25 PM.

Roll Call

Jaime Aguilera (AB)
Orlando Amorin
Michael Barnett (LT 4:30 PM)
Elvira Marie Chang
Rajesh K. Chatrani (AB)
Rachel Francar (AB)
Bettina Inclan
Irfan Jindani (AB)
Danielle A. Jones (AB)

Perry Kyles
Carlos Lopez (LT 4:45)
Luis Moreno
Max Orezza (AB)
Victor Romano
Patrice Scipio
Sergio Tigera
Pedro Luis Vidal
Duhaney Williams

Others

Michelle Castro
Natasha Cooper
George Corton
Paulina Muñoz

Wilmide Philossaint
Julia Suarez
Greg Trujillo
Kirk Weiss

Guests

Beacon Staff Writer
Beatriz Bruna
Oscar Carrera

Robert Joyce
Carolina Palacios
Wellington Richards, Jr.

Minutes were passed as written.

Reports from the Executive Council

Orlando Amorin, President

President Amorin welcomed everyone and thanked all the representatives that attended the FSA meeting. FSA will endorse FIU for a law school. He thanked George Corton, director of student lobbying, for all his hard work. Letters to the Regents are not to be sent and business does need to be done in the summer.

Danielle A. Jones, Vice President

Not present. Out of town.

Perry Kyles, Comptroller

Comptroller Kyles is working on the funding for the theater and dance group. He will be meeting with the Judo Club and with Ms. Allen. He still does not have all the office hours of the members of the finance committee.

Reports of Standing Committees

Academic Affairs

Philossaint will send out letters to all scholarship applicants by August 3, 1999.

Campus Life

Vidal announced welcome back week plans for the first week of school. Tables will be available for organizations inside GC. Campus Life will have a new brochure shortly. Vidal has interviewed 40 lower division students and their primary concerns are the following: parking, library hours, computer hours and lower food prices. Vidal has attended two SPC meetings.

Student Services

No representative present.

Student Union Board

Weiss has met with Ruth Hamilton and the 3rd floor of GC will have a vending machine and he will be meeting with Carlos Becerrea about Aramark. A meeting with Bonano concerning the Technology Fund is scheduled. He is looking into a location for the kiosk machine. Weiss apologized that he would not be able to stay for the whole meeting.

Reports of Standing Councils

GSA

Barnett announced that GSA will be working with Career Services and plans to have workshops in the fall.

Honors/SOC/SPC

No representative present.

Panther Rage

No report. Tigera then took time to announce what he has been doing in his position as Representative-at-Large. Tigera has met with students and is working on different issues. He will be sending their hand-written letters to the Board of Regents.

RHA

Thanksgiving dinner, originally scheduled for November 18, 1999, is being rescheduled. Palooza forms are due. Housing is looking for mentors. Office hours are posted.

Old Business

No old business.

New Business

Elections

Each candidate was given three minutes to speak and two minutes for a question and answer period. Quorum was eight. The results were as follows:

The School of Architecture --

Robert Joyce

Oscar Carrera and Robert Joyce were the candidates. Neither received quorum on the first or second vote. Rep. Romano moved to have the number of votes disclosed, seconded by Rep. Tigera. Motion passed (9 yes, 1 abstain). Number was disclosed. Rep. Romano moved to vote again, seconded by Rep. Tigera. Motion passed (8 yes, 2 no). Third vote resulted in election of Robert Joyce.

Elections Chair --

None

Candidates were Beatriz Bruna, Wellington Richards, Jr. and Carolina Palacios, who decided not to run and left the session. After two voting sessions, with no clear winner, Rep. Barnett moved to have the number of votes disclosed, seconded by Rep. Scipio. Motion passed unanimously. Rep. Romano moved to vote, seconded by Rep. Tigera. Motion passed unanimously. Again there was no winner. Rep. Vidal moved to table election of this position until the next meeting, seconded by Rep. Romano. Motion passed unanimously.

Announcements

- Reminder -- sign in and fill out Report of Work Performed forms
- Law school trip to Tallahassee July 14-16, 1999
- Patrice has met with President Amorin and is doing monthly reports

Meeting adjourned at 5:50 PM.

SGC Meeting Minutes

July 21, 1999

President Amorin called the meeting to order at 4:15 PM.

Roll Call

Jaime Aguilera (AB)
Orlando Amorin
Michael Barnett
Elvira Marie Chang
Rajesh K. Chatrani (AB)
Rachel Francar
Bettina Inclan
Irfan Jindani (AB)
Danielle A. Jones (AB)
Robert Joyce

Perry Kyles
Carlos Lopez
Luis Moreno
Max Orezza
Victor Romano
Patrice Scipio
Sergio Tigera
Pedro Luis Vidal
Duhaney Williams

Others

Michelle Castro
Natasha Cooper
George Corton
Paulina Muñoz

Wilmide Philossaint
Julia Suarez
Greg Trujillo
Kirk Weiss

Guests

Beacon Staff Writer
Beatriz Bruna

North Campus Representative
Wellington Richards, Jr.

Minutes were passed as written.

Reports from the Executive Council

Orlando Amorin, President

President Amorin welcomed everyone and thanked all the representatives that attended the Tallahassee Trip. The students who attended the trip did an excellent job of representing our institution but unfortunately a law school for FIU was not approved at this time.

Danielle A. Jones, Vice President

Not present. Out of town.

Perry Kyles, Comptroller

Comptroller Kyles announced the finance committee will meet on July 26, 1999 at 4:30 PM in GC 350; changes will be made in the finance policy. On August 4, 1999 these financial matters will be discussed at the Council meeting.

Reports of Standing Committees

Academic Affairs

Philossaint announced he will be meeting with his 10 committee members comprised of students from both campuses on Friday July 23, 1999 at the North Campus Student Union to award the student government sponsored scholarships.

Campus Life

No report

Student Services

No representative present.

Student Union Board

Weiss met with Ruth Hamilton and the committee that is working on a new banking system to be implemented in a few years after the GC expansion is completed. Weiss has followed up on the vending machine order for the third floor. Auxiliary services is busy but will be looking into the status of the machine and reporting back to him. He is still in search of an area for the new kiosk; until he has a suitable area he cannot ask for the appropriate funds. President Amorin is working on internet access in the food court area of GC.

Reports of Standing Councils

GSA

Barnett stated that GSA has presented its new budget for the 1999-2000 year. Barnett is not happy with this budget, which was not decided on by the full executive board.

Honors/SOC/SPC

No representative present.

Panther Rage

No report.

RHA

The table reservations forms for Palooza are due on August 6, 1999.

Old Business

Elections

Each candidate was given three minutes to speak and two minutes for a question and answer period. Quorum was nine. The results were as follows:

Elections Chair --

Wellington Richards, Jr.

Candidates were Beatriz Bruna and Wellington Richards, Jr.

New Business

Campus Recreation

Director Rob Frye briefly introduced himself. He then briefed the Council of recent changes and future plans. Televisions have been installed and they are working to improve the sound quality and a new intramural coordinator has been hired. He passed out a proposal that would place the Panther Hall pool under Campus Recreation management. President Amorin asked for an informal vote on this change in management and it was approved.

Bill 99-5 Committee Appointments

This bill lists the committee appointments for all the representatives. Friendly amendments were made and accepted as follows: The membership of the Finance Committee was increased from five to six members plus an alternate, with Rep. Orezza to be the sixth member. Rep. Barnett requested to be removed from the Academic Affairs Committee. Rep. Tigera moved to accept the Bill 99-5 with amendments, seconded by Rep. Lopes. Motion passed.

Finance Policy

The finance policy was not to be a bill. The Finance Committee will review the finance policy and make suggestions to the Council. Any representatives interested in reading the policy, please see President Amorin.

Staff Coordinator Report

Staff Coordinator Trujillo reviewed the time card procedure and reminded all the representatives that report forms must be filled out. Those representatives that worked during the Wednesday-Friday period that the office was closed need to see Trujillo.

DSL Report

DSL Corton discussed our recent law school lobbying session with the Regents in Tallahassee. He reminded everyone about the upcoming Dade County penny tax referendum and its significance for FIU. He will be working on a voter registration drive.

Question the propriety of the election of Robert Joyce

Representative Lopez brought up the issue of the propriety of the election of Robert Joyce. In dispute is the biographical information given by Mr. Joyce prior to his election. President Amorin deferred this issue until the next meeting because Representative Lopez did not follow procedure for bringing new issues before the council.

Announcements

- Reminder – sign in and fill out Report of Work Performed forms
- North Campus has elected a Chief Justice
- FSA Retreat July 23-26
- Committee Chairs to set up meetings with new committee members
- August 4th SGC meeting will be an informative budget meeting

Meeting adjourned at 5:30 PM.

SGC Meeting Minutes

September 29, 1999

President Amorin called the meeting to order at 4:15 PM.

Roll Call

Jaime Aguilera
Orlando Amorin
Michael Barnett
Elvira Marie Chang
Rajesh K. Chatrani
Rachel Francar (AB)
Bettina Inclan
Irfan Jindani (Left 4:55 PM)
Robert Joyce (LT 4:40)

Perry Kyles (LT 4:15 PM)
Carlos Lopez
Luis Moreno
Max Orezzaoli
Victor Romano
Patrice Scipio
Sergio Tigera (LT 4:20)
Pedro Luis Vidal
Duhaney Williams

Others

Michelle Castro
George Corton
Zory Hernandez
Paulina Muñoz

Eric Pfaeffle
Wilmide Philossaint
Wellington Richards, Jr.
Kirk Weiss

Standing Councils

Joanette Brooks (SOC)
Natasha Cooper (RHA)
Lorraine DeDiego (Honors)

Armando Rodriguez (SPC)
Diego Mendez-Carbajo

Guests

Beacon Staff Writer
Javier Baños
Samantha Loyman
Michelle Perez (Campus Life)
Angela Rodriguez

Carlos Sevilla
Tracy Sharpe
Felecia Townsend (Auxiliary Services)
Debbie Urraca

Minutes passed as written, correcting the misspelling of the last name Corton in RES 99-13 and the addition of Rep. Inclan as a presenter.

Reports from the Executive Council

Orlando Amorin, President

President Amorin announced that due to her absences this semester Rep. Francer is automatically removed from office. He also announced that GSA President Jorge Schmidt has resigned.

President Amorin yielded time to Rep. Williams who explained that he is and will be sitting in the gallery as he is currently out of status while waiting for his financial aid.

Perry Kyles, Comptroller

Comptroller Kyles apologized for being tardy to the meeting. He stated that there was poor attendance at the Finance Committee meeting. He still needs the minutes from either the executive or general meetings of the standing councils, their constitutions, and budget proposals for next year. GSA funds have been frozen due to its administrative situation and that it has not yet voted on a budget.

Reports of Standing Committees

Academic Affairs

Philossaint placed an announcement of the scholarship winners in the *Beacon*.

Campus Life

The Department will be receiving accreditation in February. If anyone is interested in helping to prepare for the accreditation, they should stop by the office.

Elections

No Report.

Student Services

Pfaeffle stated that he has met with Dr. Telles-Irving about the kiosk machines. A consultant for food services will be at the University on Thursday and Friday. If anyone is interested in meeting with this consultant, please sign up in GC 311.

Student Union Board

Weiss stated that his meetings will be every other Wednesday at 3:15 PM. The committee established goals during the last meeting. A student survey is being planned. New projects being considered include a free local phone and the painting of a panther on the west wall of GC. Please contact him with additional suggestions.

Reports of Standing Councils

GSA

Jorge Schmidt has resigned as President.

Honors

DeDiego apologized for missing the past SGC meetings; she was not aware she was required to attend. She announced that although the VP of North Campus did resign, the Honors Council now has a full E-board and is up and running. On October 11th there will be a general meeting in GC 150 at 3:30 PM.

SOC

Brooks reported that SOC will be having its second club orientation on October 4th from 2:00 - 4:00 PM while its second general meeting will be October 5th. The special event position is still available.

SPC

The net premier movie *Three Kings* went well; the net premier movie tonight is *Superstar*. The Friday movie will be *Tarzan*. Rodriguez announced the events for next week including a general meeting on October 7th at 8:00 PM. SPC is moving forward with the accreditation process.

Panther Rage

Tigera reminded SGC about *Moonlight Madness*, scheduled for October 15th which will include a slam dunk contest. There is a new scoreboard in the Golden Panther Arena and work is being done to expand the seating in the baseball stadium. The Athletic Department is still looking for an Athletic Director.

RHA

The September 24 -25 RHA Retreat was a success. RHA issues currently include the parking situation and computer labs for the apartments.

New Business

United Way Campaign

Zory, as the SGA-UW campaign representative, stated that the FIU goal is \$300,000. She explained and distributed UW pledge cards.

Bill 99-6 Bi-weekly Meetings

President Amorin explained the changes proposed. Discussion followed. Motion passed unanimously

DSL Reports

Diversity Week is October 4th - 8th. There will be a discussion with student leaders on the issues of diversity on October 7th in GC 150 at 5:00 PM.

Intern Coordinator Report

In the absence Muñoz, the report was given by George Corton. Anyone who requested an intern is required to attend the intern dinner on October 8th. Please pay your \$5 before Wednesday.

RES 99-14 ROTC Students/Housing Priorities

The resolution was presented by Rep. Tigera, who explained its background and development. Discussion followed. Friendly amendments were made by Rep. Lopez and President Amorin and seconded by Rep. Scipio. Motion passed unanimously with friendly amendments as follows:

Let it be resolved that the Student Government Council at the University Park Campus recommend that the University Housing Staff research the possibility and feasibility of reserving rooms for the ROTC Program in the same priority level as University Athletes, therefore granting them the option of rooming with fellow ROTC members. It is also the recommendation of the SGC that the housing application form include a check-off box for ROTC for identification purposes. Be it further resolved that the ROTC be notified by the SGC of this change and any other changes regarding ROTC and housing in the future.

Announcements

- RSVP for Intern Dinner by October 1st
- Forum on Race October 6th at 6:30 PM in GC 305
- American Heart Walk October 23rd
- Reminder -- sign in and fill out Report of Work Performed forms
- Judicial applications are available

Meeting adjourned at 5:10 PM.

SGC Meeting Minutes

September 22, 1999

President Amorin called the meeting to order at 4:15 PM.

Roll Call

Jaime Aguilera
Orlando Amorin
Michael Barnett
Elvira Marie Chang
Rajesh K. Chatrani (AB)
Rachel Francar (AB)
Bettina Inclan (LT 4:40 PM)
Irfan Jindani
Danielle A. Jones (Left 4:30 PM)
Robert Joyce (LT 4:40)

Perry Kyles
Carlos Lopez
Luis Moreno
Max Orezzaoli
Victor Romano
Patrice Scipio (Left 6:00 PM)
Sergio Tigera
Pedro Luis Vidal
Duhaney Williams (LT 4:33 PM)

Others

Michelle Castro
George Corton
Paulina Muñoz
Eric Pfaeffle

Wilmide Philossaint
Wellington Richards, Jr.
Kirk Weiss

Standing Councils

Joanette Brooks (SOC)
Natasha Cooper (RHA)

Armando Rodriguez (SPC)
Jorge Schmidt

Guests

Beacon Staff Writer
Lilliane Danger

Michelle Perez (Campus Life)

Minutes were passed as written.

Reports from the Executive Council

Orlando Amorin, President

President Amorin announced that with the resignation of Kunga Kihohia, he is currently Acting President of North Campus. Six other North Campus officials also resigned.

Judicial Committee applications are available. Please inform anyone interested that they can be picked up in the Judicial Affairs Office.

Danielle A. Jones, Vice President

Vice President Jones announced her resignation from SGC and departed the Council chambers.

Perry Kyles, Comptroller

Comptroller Kyles thanked the Standing Councils for their cooperation. He needs the minutes from either the executive or general meetings. There was no quorum at the Finance Committee meeting. He needs all representatives that are on the Finance Committee to attend the weekly Tuesday meetings which begin promptly at 4:15 PM. Comptroller Kyles has recommendations for the finance policies.

Reports of Standing Committees

Academic Affairs

Philossaint will be placing an announcement of the scholarship winners in the *Beacon*. She is looking for funding for *Cram Jam*.

Campus Life

The Department will be receiving accreditation in February. If anyone is interested in helping to prepare for the accreditation, they should stop by the office. The *Speak-out Ensemble* which performed on Tuesday, Sept. 21 was a huge success. Preparations for the *Fashion Show* are now underway. The net premiere movie for tonight, Sept. 22, is *Three Kings*. Alpha Phi Alpha will be having a step show on Friday in the Golden Panther Arena. *Hispanic Heritage Month* is Sept. 15 through Oct. 15; several events are being planned, and are scheduled for the period Oct. 11 - Oct. 15. Michelle Perez is currently preparing a form to solicit topics for the *Academy of Leaders* development series.

Elections

Richards is looking into mid-semester elections and will be needing election board members. He recently had a meeting with the prior chair.

Student Services

Pfaeffle stated there is no chance that students who don't drive will get a refund on parking decals. FIU is looking into buying trams. Student Services meetings are on Tuesdays at 10:00 AM.

Student Union Board

Weiss stated that he there was poor attendance at his first committee meeting and is looking for suggestions to improve the situation.

Reports of Standing Councils

GSA

Schmidt thanked the clerk for the memo regarding attendance. Absence of a representative was due to a misunderstanding of the role of the graduate representatives and their function in GSA. President Amorin clarified their responsibilities. Schmidt assured the Council that a representative of GSA will be present at future meetings.

Thursday, Sept. 23, GSA will have their general meeting at 6:30 PM in the Panther Suite followed by a social. Schmidt announced that GSA has participated in the orientation for international students and has held teacher assistant trainings.

Honors

No representative present.

SOC

Brooks reported that SOC held its club fair Sept. 21 - 22. The second club orientation is scheduled for Oct. 4 and the second meeting of SOC will be Oct. 5.

SPC

The Sept. 9 comedy show was a great success. The programs scheduled for the Hurricane Floyd period have not yet been rescheduled. The net premier movie is *Three Kings*. The Friday movie will be *Matrix*.

Panther Rage

Tigera announced that their new advisor is Michelle Perez. *Moonlight Madness* is scheduled for October 15th.

RHA

The RHA retreat is this weekend, Sept. 24 -25; the Mini-Farh will be held in October.

New Business

Rep. Lopez moved that Item C should become Item A on the Agenda, seconded by Rep. Orezzaoli. The motion passed unanimously.

APP 99-6 Lilliane Danger

Lilliane Danger presented her cause, explaining in detail the use of the funds. Rep. Orezzaoli moved that as a condition to receiving Council funds that she

present a report to the Council upon her return. Motion was seconded by Tigera and passed 8 in favor and 2 abstentions. Discussion followed regarding the appropriation. President Amorin called for a vote on the appropriation which passed 10 in favor, 2 opposed, 1 abstention. President Amorin announced that the funds would be taken from the presidential travel account.

Recommendations for Constitution and By-Laws

President Amorin explained the changes that were made at the last university-wide meeting. He stated that he brought up the SGC University Park recommendations to President Kunz. The next university-wide meeting will be Sept. 27 at University Park. Due to the current SGC North Campus situation, only University Park representation will be in attendance.

President Amorin recommended that SGC meetings be every other Wednesday from 4:00 to 6:00 PM, with committee meetings to be held the alternate Wednesdays. Discussion followed. This matter will be brought up again at another meeting.

Intern Coordinator Report

The interns will be taking part in the *American Heart Walk* in October. Please give them your support. On Oct. 8 there will be an intern dinner at 5:00 PM, location to be announced. On Oct. 11 the interns will begin their assigned duties. Of the 55 applications submitted, 30 interns have been chosen.

RES 99-13 President's Initiative on Race—FIU Diversity Week

Cordon explained the background and development of the resolution. Michelle Perez and Gisella Vega will be helping with the events. There was no discussion. President Amorin called for a vote. The resolution passed 12 in favor, 1 abstention.

Announcements

- Reminder -- sign in and fill out Report of Work Performed forms
- Judicial applications are available
- Turn in class schedules to Zory

Meeting adjourned at 5:30 PM.

SGC Meeting Minutes

October 6, 1999

President Amorin called the meeting to order at 4:05 PM.

Roll Call

Jaime Aguilera
Orlando Amorin
Michael Barnett (LT 4:15 PM)
Elvira Marie Chang
Rajesh K. Chatrani
Bettina Inclan
Robert Joyce (AB)
Perry Kyles

Carlos Lopez
Luis Moreno
Max Orezzaoli
Victor Romano
Patrice Scipio
Sergio Tigera (LT 4:10 PM)
Pedro Luis Vidal (LT 4:12 PM)
Duhaney Williams (LT 4:20 PM)

Others

Michelle Castro
George Corton
Paulina Muñoz
Eric Pfaeffle

Wilmide Philossaint (AB)
Wellington Richards, Jr.
Kirk Weiss

Standing Councils

Joanette Brooks (SOC)
Florence Caranza (GSA)
Natasha Cooper (RHA)

Lorraine DeDiego (Honors)
Armando Rodriguez (SPC)

Guests

Beacon Staff Writer
Michelle Perez (Campus Life)

Felecia Townsend (Auxiliary Services)

Minutes passed as written with correction that Comptroller Kyles left at 4:51 PM.

Reports from the Executive Council

Orlando Amorin, President

No Report.

Perry Kyles, Comptroller

Comptroller Kyles reported that he met with the Standing Councils.

Reports of Standing Committees

Academic Affairs / Campus Life / Elections / Student Services / Student Union Board

No Reports.

Reports of Standing Councils

GSA

The new president is Florence Caranza. A budget has been approved.

Honors / Panther Rage / RHA / SOC

No Reports.

SPC

The SPC general meeting is tomorrow, October 7th at 8:00 PM.

New Business

Alternate week committee meetings

Meeting from 4:00 - 5:00 PM

- Academic Affairs
- Finance -- will meet in GC 350
- Student Services

Meeting from 5:00 - 6:00 PM

- Campus Life - Note: - Elvira Chang moved from Student Services to Campus Life
- Executive Council
- Student Union

Changes in SGC membership

Due to class schedule conflicts Rachel Francar and Irfan Jindani cannot attend Council meetings and have resigned.

Housing Representative Appeal

Rep. Williams advised the Council that his status at FIU is now in order. Rep. Lopez moved to have Rep. Williams return to SGC. The motion was seconded by Rep. Tigera and passed unanimously.

Open Internet Access

DSL Corton described his work on the Open Internet Access issue. He asked that we wear our SGC shirts on October 19th when the measure comes to a vote. More information on this will be forthcoming.

Announcements

- Please meet in front of GC 311 at 4:30 PM to carpool to the Intern Dinner at La Casita
- SGC Open House at Panther Hall, October 13 at 8:00 PM
- Canned Food Drive for victims of Hurricane Floyd by AKA
- American Heart Walk October 23rd
- Reminder -- sign in and fill out Report of Work Performed forms

Meeting adjourned at 5:35 PM.

SGC Meeting Minutes

September 8, 1999

President Amorin called the meeting to order at 4:12 PM.

Roll Call

Jaime Aguilera
Orlando Amorin
Michael Barnett
Elvira Marie Chang (LT 4:40)
Rajesh K. Chatrani
Rachel Francar (AB)
Bettina Inclan
Irfan Jindani (Left 5:00 PM)
Danielle A. Jones (AB)
Robert Joyce (LT 4:20 & Left 5:15 PM)

Perry Kyles (Left 5:00 PM)
Carlos Lopez
Luis Moreno (Left 6:00 PM)
Max Orezza (LT 4:40 & Left 6:15)
Victor Romano
Patrice Scipio (Left 6:00 PM)
Sergio Tigera (LT 5:05)
Pedro Luis Vidal
Duhaney Williams (AB)

Others

Michelle Castro
George Corton
Paulina Muñoz
Eric Pfaeffle (Left 5:30)

Wilmide Philossaint
Wellington Richards, Jr.
Kirk Weiss (LT 4:35)

Standing Councils

Natasha Cooper (RHA)
Nelly Linares (SPC)

Armando Rodriguez (SPC)

Guests

Beacon Staff Writer
North Campus Representative
Dareen Gregory (Disabled Student Association)
Michelle Perez (Campus Life)
Professor Ratner

Claire Riario (SGC Intern)
Brian Smatt (WRBP 88.1 FM)
Chrysian Smith (SGC Intern)
Felecia Townsend (Auxiliary Services)

Minutes were passed as written with the correction that Michael Barnett was not absent.

Reports from the Executive Council

Orlando Amorin, President

President Amorin welcomed back Luis Moreno. Notification will be sent out after a Representative misses two meetings. President Amorin announced that the Council will be reviewing and correcting proposed changes to the University Wide Council Constitution.

President Amarin opened the floor to Felecia Townsend, who discussed the future renovations to the bookstore. If completed as planned, the bookstore will be a two story structure with a Starbucks Cafe included on the second floor.

President Amarin gave time to Brian Smatt (Radio Station *WRBP 88.1 FM*) to announce the ***FM Kick-Off*** on Monday, September 13th, noon to 2:00 PM in the GC Pit. All the administrators have been invited. Numerous activities have been planned and promotional items will be distributed.

President Amarin announced the dismissal of the Special Events Coordinator. Steps will be taken to assure that special events planning will not be neglected.

Danielle A. Jones, Vice President

Vice President Jones was unable to attend because she was not feeling well.

Perry Kyles, Comptroller

The funds allocated to the Special Projects budget are quickly being depleted. Standing Councils must submit constitutions and a roster of executive board members ASAP. All appropriations must go through the Finance Committee. Finance Committee meetings are on Tuesdays at 4:00 PM. Comptroller Kyles will be the treasurer of the Homecoming Committee.

Comptroller yielded time to Michelle Perez, Assistant Director of Leadership Development, to describe the program she is interested in bringing on campus -- *Act Out Ensemble*. This would be a kick-off to the Leadership Academy. The fee will be \$1,000; to date \$600 has been collected. She is hoping SGC of UP will give financial support to this endeavor.

Reports of Standing Committees

Academic Affairs

Philossaint is currently working on Cram Jam which is budgeted at \$3,000. She had her first meeting September 7th; minutes have been turned in and are on file. Meetings are scheduled for Tuesdays at 4:00 PM in GC312.

Campus Life

No report.

Elections

Richards announced that he has four possible election board members. He is open to further nominations.

Student Services

Pfaeffle gave up-to-date information on the MetroBus terminal issue. Committee meetings will be held on Tuesdays at 10:30 AM in GC 312.

Student Union Board

Weiss announced that Felecia Townsend of Auxiliary Services assisted with the renovations of Gracie's. Please spread the word that the new Gracie's is now open.

Reports of Standing Councils

GSA/ Honors/ SOC

No representative present.

SPC

There will be a comedy show Thursday, September 9th. The Friday movie will be *Cruel Intentions*. A general meeting will be held September 9th at 8:00 PM in the Pit.

Panther Rage

No representative present.

RHA

Thanksgiving Dinner will be November 18th on the GC lawn. RHA will be meeting with various administrators to deal with specific problems such as leakage in the apartments and traffic.

Old Business

APP 99-4 ISS Dinner

This appropriation has to go to the Finance Committee. Rep. Romano moved to table the appropriation, seconded by Rep. Orezza. Motion passed unanimously.

Professor Ratner -- Writing Across the Disciplines

Information packets were distributed to each representative. Professor Ratner thoroughly described the program planned for February. He is requesting the participation of SGC and would like to set up a faculty/student team. A discussion and question period followed.

New Business

University-wide Constitution Review

Representatives were asked to look at Article 2. President Amorin explained the suggested changes. A discussion and question period followed.

APP 99-5 Third Annual Open House

Rep. Romano explained the appropriation. A correction on the date was made to read Wednesday, October 13th. The location will be the first floor of Panther Hall. The appropriation passed unanimously.

Announcements

- Reminder -- sign in and fill out Report of Work Performed forms
- Judicial applications are available

Meeting adjourned at 6:20 PM.