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STUDENT GOVERNMENT COUNCIL 2001-2002

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Angel Garcia · Vice President
Nicaise Parillon · Finance Chair

Maggie Millan · Chief-of-Staff
Carolina Bustamante · Clerk of Council
Lilliana Ponce · Internship Coordinator
Robin Miller · Panther Power Coordinator
Sherilyn Lukas · Special Events Coordinator
Thais Council · Athletic Coordinator
Diana Stevens · Director of Student Lobbying
Danielle Sherriff · Academic Affairs Chair
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Marline Polisaintvil · Judicial Board Chair
Christie Lowey · Public Relations Chair
Anel Avila · Student Services Chair
Toshka Knight · Student Union Board Chair

Muhammed Malik · Arts and Science Rep
Casty Guillaume · Business Administration Rep
David Edwards · Hospitality Management Rep
Jenice Harris · Housing Rep
Rene (Kyle) Salomon · Nursing Rep
Natalia Flores · SJMC Rep
Allen Weiss · Graduate Rep
Hank Schramm · Lower Division Rep
Ireka Hamilton · Lower Division Rep
Tamara Williams · Rep-at-Large
Kerry Brown · Rep-at-Large
Nikka Scott · Rep-at-Large

BBC SGC Agenda for 2001-2002

1

FIU administration may not recognize what the "I" stands for in its name—but we do. We are concerned about the availability of services, the cost of tuition, and the overall treatment of our international students. We will establish the International Student Union, an organization of international students run by international students who lobby and address issues of sustenance and pertinence.

2

Many of our students are unaware of the scholarships available to them. We will disseminate as much scholarship information as we can via our website and office advertisement. We plan to create a book scholarship from the Council, for each semester. We will support the Black Tie Affair, an International Student Scholarship Drive, headed by the office of Multicultural Programs and Services at the Biscayne Bay Campus.

3

We will strive to enhance the Broward Campus, by adding another kiosk machine and enhancing the events and programs for their students taking night classes.

4

We will try to uncover why the radio broadcast of WRGP, FIU's college station, is not heard at the Biscayne Bay Campus. We will try to encourage more coverage of the Biscayne Bay Campus events in *The Beacon*, our school newspaper.

5

We will work towards getting Bay Vista Housing equipped with the services it needs, for example a kiosk machine and ATM machine. We are pleased with the renovations and paint job of the housing facilities. The new look adds color to the campus.

6

We will assist with providing services throughout the university, including a stamp machine in the Wolfe University Center.

And more...

We are here to listen to your ideas, comments, and complaints. Our ears, our minds and our doors are always open for new suggestions.



As your new Student Body President, your newly appointed Vice-President Angel Garcia and I, are committed to excellence. It is important that the students at the Biscayne Bay Campus know that they have ethical and just student leaders seeking to improve services and develop programs that assist in the endeavor of student development and enhancement of campus life.

Mr. Garcia and I are patriots of the Biscayne Bay Campus and are privy to many of the situations that we face as students. As our Council grows with students who have an earnest desire to better the Biscayne Bay Campus, we can address many of these issues to bring about a resolution.

We have created an agenda that focuses on community building. Leaders are community builders. We strive for a uniformed Council, with members who want to give back to the FIU community by addressing our students' needs and concerns.

The Council is in need of an internal evaluation. Some of our policies and practices are not conducive to the efforts of an effectively run organization. Accordingly, we will review our policies, by-laws and constitution and make the necessary changes in order to make the Council more efficient.

Understand that the Student Government Council cannot accomplish all this by itself. But, with an attitude of caring, sharing and loving combined with a spirit of togetherness, we hope that the administration, faculty and students can work together to see these programs and services come to fruition.

Students, we ask for your support because we work for you and represent you. Faculty, we ask for your understanding because this is education outside the classroom. Administration, we ask for your cooperation and for the proper respect Student Government deserves because students should always come first, not dollars.

Adrian Carter, President

Angel Garcia, Vice President



Florida International University

Student Government Council
Office of the Vice President

AGENDA

SGC MEETING
August 8, 2001
3PM – 5:00PM

- I. Call to Order/Sign In
- II. Approval of Minutes
- III. Appointment
- IV. Old Business
 1. MPAS Computers
 2. Web page (www.consumer-site.com/sgc)
 3. New Golden Panther Mascot
- V. New Business
 1. PRSSA
 2. Softball Game (Approve Resolution)
 3. Assigned Roles and Responsibility
- VI. Acting President's Report
 1. Change Meeting Time (FALL)
 2. Robert's Rule of Orders
- VII. Advisors Report/Community Comments
- VIII. Next Meeting: Aug. 15, 2001 - Adjournment



Florida International University

Student Government Council

SGC Meeting
August 8, 2001

IN ATTENDANCE

Mr. Adrian Carter, Vice-President
Ms. Diana Stevens, Director of Student Lobbying
Mr. Robin Miller, Panther Power Coordinator
Ms. Carolina Bustamante, Clerk of Council
Ms. Toshka Knight, Student Union Board Chair
Ms. Danielle Sherriff, Academic Affairs Representative
Ms. Rose Gaston, Elections Chair
Ms. Marline Polisaintvil, Judicial Board Chair
Mr. Alexander Lewy, Campus Life Board Chair
Mr. Jean Longchamps, Broward Representative
Mr. Rasheed Oshokoya, Graduate Representative
Mr. David Edwards, Hospitality Management Representative
Ms. Jenice Harris, Housing Representative
Mrs. Natalia Flores, Journalism and Mass Communication Representative
Ms. Ireka Hamilton, Lower Division Representative
Ms. Kerry Brown, Representative at Large
Ms. Nikka Scott, Representative at Large
Mr. Rafael Zapata III, Advisor

ABSENT

Mr. David L. Cole, Advisor
Mr. Corey Riley, Finance Chair
Ms. Lilliana Ponce, Intern Coordinator
Ms. Sherilyn Lukas, Public Relations Chair
Mr. Keler Gilet, Student Services Chair
Mr. Kyle Solomon, International Students Chair
Mr. Casty Guillaume, Business Administration Representative
Ms. Nicaise Parillon, Lower Division Representative (Leave of Absence)
Mr. Angel Garcia, Representative at Large

GUESTS

Mr. Raul Moncarz, Vice-Provost of Academic Affairs
Mr. Yatir Nitzany
Ms. Shanequa Rice
Ms. Albert Bennett, Vice-President of PRSSA
Ms. Ginea Wilson, President of Hospitality Mgmt. Graduate assoc.

Call to Order

Mr. Adrian Carter called the meeting to order at 3:30p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Ms. Ireka Hamilton moved to approve the minutes from last week's meeting with the corrections specified by the council members. Mrs. Natalia Flores seconded that motion. The Council unanimously approved the minutes.

Appointments

(None)

Old Business

1. MPAS Computers
2. Web page (www.consumer-site.com/sgc)
 - a. Please bring up any suggestions you might have for the web site.
 1. Mr. Raul Moncarz suggested information on possible times and courses students might be interested in, in order to make the program better.
 - b. Be aware of the added link for a survey section on the web site.
 - c. There is also scholarship information on the web site.
3. New Golden Panther logo
 - a. There is a contest online where the student body can name the new logo since it will no longer be named "Pete the Panther."
 - b. Be aware that as the days go by the new logo will begin to appear more clearly on the web site.

New Business

1. PRSSA
 - a. Mr. Albert Bennet, Vice-President of PRSSA, requested financial assistance for the 2001 National PRSSA Conference for 10 members.
 1. Estimated value of \$340 per member.
 2. The FIU PRSSA chapter is up for the "Chapter of the year" award.
 3. The program gives students a balanced look at public relations from nationwide leading Public Relations practitioners.
 - Ms. Nikka Scott moves to discuss the allocation of funds to PRSSA. Ms. Natalia Flores seconds that motion.
 - Ms. Nikka Scott moves to make a decision on PRSSA at next meeting in order to for PRSSA to solicit funds from other companies such as Emery College. Ms. Ireka Hamilton seconds. The council voted 6-0-1 to make a decision concerning the allocation of funds toward PRSSA at the next meeting.
 - o Information from Emery College will be facilitated through Mr. Muhammed Malik.
 - Ms. Ireka Hamilton moves to cover the full cost of the PRSSA Conference. Ms. Natalia Flores seconds that motion. The council voted 1-4-2 to cover the full cost of the event.
 - Ms. Nikka Scott makes a friendly amendment to change "full cost" to "sponsor" with the exact number to be agreed on at the next meeting. Ms. Ireka Hamilton did not accept.
2. Softball Game (see attachment)
 - a. The Resolution is set to bring both councils together. It supports a student government cross campus softball game. The event will be a form of team building which in turn creates an effective work force for both campuses.
 - Ms. Natalia Flores moves to accept Resolution 01 and to vote on Resolution 01. The motion is seconded by Mr. David Edwards. The council voted unanimously to accept Resolution 01.
3. Assigned Roles and Responsibility (see attachment)
 - a. Goals and expectations were presented.
 - b. Issues that should be completed were assigned to different individuals.
 - c. Each issue assigned must be presented in each report.
 - d. Issues=Responsibilities=Must be done.
 - e. We must be productive.

Mr. Adrian Carter stated that the standings of Tito Omaghomi are unknown and that if he returns then it is his right as president to make changes. Mr. Carter has current responsibility towards the student body as acting president.

Acting President's Report

1. Changing meeting time for fall
 - a. Pros: no classes, more flexibility for schedules.
 - b. Cons: Travel plans might interfere, Commuting, Religious conflict.
- Ms. Natalia Flores moves to continue our scheduled meeting on Wednesdays at 3:00pm. Ms. Jenice Harris seconds that motion. The council voted 5-1-1 to continue meetings on Wednesdays at 3:00pm.
2. Robert's Rule of Orders
 - a. Reminder-LEARN IT!
 - b. Read and re-read Robert's rules of order.

Announcements

1. August 10, 2001 at 12pm is priority registration for all council members.
2. Dr. Rasheed Oshokoya is still on board.
3. August 17, 2001 there will be an all clubs meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 5:10 pm.



Florida International University

Student Government Council

RESOLUTION

Agenda Item: In support of student government cross campus softball game.

Sponsors: Adrian Carter Acting Student Body President,
Carol Bustante Clerk of Council

Committee: Special Events Committee

Date: August 7, 2001

In support of A Cross Campus Student Government Softball Game.

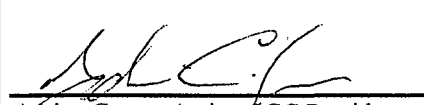
Whereas, It had always been a goal of the Student Government in Biscayne Bay to improve relations with our University Park counterparts.

Whereas, An event between both Councils will give us the opportunity to exchange ideas and establish contacts.

Whereas, This event would be a form of team building which would in turn create an effective work force for both campuses. **THEREFORE BE IT**

Resolved, That Student Government Council supports a Softball Game between the Biscayne Bay Campus and University Park Campus Student Governments. **BE IT FURTHER**

Resolved, That the time and place for this game will be announced on a future date.

PASS FAIL	IN FAVOR OF: 7	DATE: 8-8-01	 Adrian Carter, Acting SGC President
	ABSTAINED: 0	R 01	
	OPPOSED: 0	01	



Florida International University

Student Government Council

SGC Meeting
August 1, 2001

IN ATTENDANCE

Mr. Adrian Carter, Vice-President
Mr. Robin Miller, Panther Power Coordinator
Ms. Toshka Knight, Student Union Board Chair
Ms. Marline Polisaintvil, Judicial Board Chair
Mr. Alexander Lewy, Campus Life Board Chair
Ms. Nikka Scott, Representative at Large
Mr. David L. Cole, Advisor
Mrs. Natalia Flores, Journalism and Mass Communication Representative
Mr. Rasheed Oshokoya, Graduate Representative
Ms. Ireka Hamilton, Lower Division Representative
Mr. David Edwards, Hospitality Management Representative
Ms. Jenice Harris, Housing Representative
Ms. Sherilyn Lukas, Public Relations Chair
Mr. Jean Longchamps, Broward Representative
Ms. Rose Gaston, Elections Chair
Ms. Kerry Brown,
Ms. Danielle Sherriff, Academic Affairs Representative
Ms. Lilliana Ponce, Intern Coordinator
Ms. Diana Stevens, Director of Student Lobbying
Mr. Angel Garcia, Representative at Large

ABSENT

Ms. Nicaise Parillon, Lower Division Representative (Leave of Absence)
Mr. Keler Gilet, Student Services Chair
Mr. Casty Guillaume, Business Administration Representative
Mr. Rafael Zapata III, Advisor
Mr. Kyle Solomon, International Students Chair
Mr. Corey Riley, Finance Chair

GUESTS

Mr. Raul Moncarz, Vice-Provost of Academic Affairs
Ms. Carolina Bustamante
Ms. Christy Ivela
Mr. W.J. Mirambeau, MPAS Representative

Call to Order

The SGC Meeting was unofficially started at 3:00pm. Mr. Adrian Carter called the meeting to order at 3:30p.m. when quorum was established.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Angel Garcia moved to approve the minutes from last weeks' meeting with the corrections specified by the council members. Mrs. Natalia Flores seconded that motion. The Council unanimously approved the minutes.

Appointments

Ms. Carolina Bustamante and Ms. Christy Ivela are interested in the Clerk of Council position.

Ms. Christy Ivela presented herself:

1. Freshmen, aware of the position and is active in other organizations.
2. Was involved with SGA in high school.
3. Wants to one day be VP or Pres. Of SGA.
4. Participates and has leadership skills.

Ms. Carolina Bustamante presented herself:

1. Senior, PR major, is aware of the position.
2. Was Secretary and then President of her sorority and is a Peer Advisor.
3. Goal orientated and very organized.

Voting Results

Ms. Carolina Bustamante is now Clerk of Council by a 3-2-2 vote.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Intern-Coordinator

Ms. Lilliana Ponce

Ms. Lilliana Ponce reported the following:

1. Discussed Intern Orientation.
2. Distributed handouts.
3. All members are invited to interview process.
4. Proposed new leadership tracks.
5. Revised calendar.
6. Forms guidelines for orientation available.
- 7.

Academic Affairs

Ms. Danielle Sherriff

Ms. Danielle Sherriff reported the following:

1. Attended meeting to discuss BBC scholarships (Adrian and Robin were also in attendance).
2. Distributed handouts discussing five new scholarships.
3. Deadline for applications is Aug. 31st. (UP had prior knowledge of it)
4. Will spread the word by posting flyers and e-mails.
5. Suggestion given: to compile all scholarship information into one packet.

Campus Life Board Chair

Mr. Alexander Lewy

Mr. Alexander Lewy reported the following:

1. In contact with SPC and Resident's Hall.
2. Creating Campus Life Activities and Calendar.
3. Working with SOC in regard to Club Fair.

Committee reports were postponed to further discuss MPAS's request for funding of computers. A discussion followed.

Mr. Angel Garcia moved to allocate \$3000 to MPAS for their computer purchase from the SGC General Fund. Mrs. Natalia Flores seconded that motion. Ms. Ireka Hamilton moved to make a friendly amendment to raise the funds allocated to \$4000. Mr. Angel Garcia accepted. The council voted 5-0-2 to accept friendly amendment. The council voted 5-0-2 moved to allocate \$3000 to MPAS for their computer purchase from the SGC General Fund.

Mr. W.J. Mirambeau from MPAS commended the council on their professionalism.

Committee reports resumed.

Special Events

Mr. Robin Miller

Mr. Miller reported the following:

1. Passed out agenda
2. Aug. 3: Panther Power mtg. @ 1:00pm "Fun Shop Friday"
3. Working on memo for clubs to meet Aug. 17 @ 1:00pm
4. Panther Splash: Aug. 31

International Students Chair
(absent)

Mr. Kyle Solomon

Public Relations Chair

Ms. Sherilyn Lukas

Ms. Lukas reported the following:

1. Working on signage.
2. Will work on buttons and key chains
3. Suggestions are welcome.

Student Services Chair
(absent)

Mr. Keler Gilet

Student Union Board

Ms. Toshka Knight

Ms. Toshka Knight reported the following:

1. Minutes were handed out.
2. Survey was also passed out at meeting. Is being distributed throughout the campus.
3. Next meeting on Aug. 3 @12:30

Payroll

1. Is everyone on the council working?
2. Member by member report and open dialogue followed.
3. Make sure to understand your roles and responsibilities.
4. Don't drop off the face of the Earth.
5. A need to determine proper work criteria.
6. Use timesheet every week to show that you are working.
7. Suggestion: Pink sheets to warn if members are not working.
8. An issue with productivity and office hours.

Mr. Rasheed Oshokoya officially requested to take a leave of absence.

9. Office hours may be served in other locations as long it has been approved in writing ahead of time.

Old Business

1. The BBC retreat is anticipated to be held in conjunction with the next SGA retreat in the fall.

New Business

1. SJMC/Beacon- Mrs. Natalia Flores

Mrs. Natalia Flores informed the council of a scheduled meeting with the Beacon on Aug. 2 @ 2:30 pm. Is looking for any input, concerns, suggestions the council may have. In addition, she presented the council with SJMC's proposal for funding of their 10th B-day Bash.

Mr. Angel Garcia moved to allocate \$700 to SJMC for their 10th B-day Bash from the SGC General Fund. Motion fell. Ms. Ireka Hamilton moved to allocate \$500 to SJMC for their 10th B-day Bash from the SGC General Fund. Mr. David Edwards second the motion. The council voted 4-0-2 to allocate \$700 to SJMC for their 10th B-day Bash from the SGC General Fund.

2. Make sure to visit the SGC Web page www.consumer-site.com/sgc

3. Read and re-read Robert's Rule of Orders and make provisions to Constitution and Bylaws.
4. Suggestion to change meeting time during the fall.

Advisor's Report

1. Mr. Bill Williamson is the new director for WUC; he will start in September.
2. The drawings should be approved by mid-September. Construction should be completed by semester break, in December.
3. Training with Karen Delosh, Director of Judicial Services, will be in September.
4. Reiterated that the BBC retreat is anticipated to be held in conjunction with the next SGA retreat in the fall.
5. Changing the meeting day/time may open "a can of worms." Members should accommodate their schedules according to the meetings.

Final Words

1. Mr. Angel Garcia announced his Got Beef campaign. Meet and Greet the senators day is Aug. 29th.
2. SGC needs to take over the blue booth in ACI (Karate Club has taken it over) for visibility.

Meeting adjourned at 6:35 pm.




Florida International University

Student Government Council

Memorandum

To: Student Government Council Members, BBC

From: Natalia Flores, Representative 
School of Journalism and Mass Communication

Re: **Attached Request for funding 2001 National PRSSA Conference**

Date: August 6th, 2001

Please find attached a proposal from the Public Relations Student Society of America (PRSSA). The proposal will be up for discussion at the next SGC Meeting on August 8, 2001.


In addition, a brief presentation will be made to the council in regard to this proposal at the next meeting.

Please try to read through the proposal. Included in the proposal is a description of the organization, description of the 2001 National PRSSA Conference and conference costs and details. A brochure on PRSSA, a conference fact sheet and conference agenda has also been attached for your convenience.

Thank you in advance for your time and cooperation.

Memorandum

To: Student Government Council, BBC

From: Natalia Flores, President 
Public Relations Student Society of America (PRSSA)

Re: Request for funding 2001 National PRSSA Conference

Date: August 6th, 2001

The Florida International University's Public Relations Student Society of America (PRSSA) is respectfully requesting financial assistance to cover the cost of 10 attendees to the 2001 National PRSSA Conference in Atlanta, GA, October 26-30, 2001.

What is PRSSA

The Public Relations Student Society of America (PRSSA) has earned the distinction of being the pre-eminent, pre-professional public relations student organization. With more than 6,500 students in over 220 chapters nationwide, PRSSA aims to cultivate a mutually advantageous relationship between public relations students and professionals.

PRSSA helps make a smooth transition from the world of building skills to the world of building careers. The organization serves as a springboard to future professional development.

PRSSA is a locally and nationally active chapter at Florida International University with a strong commitment to continuously developing membership, strengthening relations with the Public Relations Society of America (PRSA), dedication to community service, and promoting hands-on experience.

The student society aims to foster the following:

- Understanding of current theories and procedures of the profession
- Appreciation of the highest ethical ideals and principles
- Awareness of an appropriate professional attitude
- Appreciation of Associate Membership in PRSA and eventually accredited membership

-more-

PRSSA PROPOSAL --2

National Conference

The annual PRSSA National Conference is the Society's largest, most popular event each year. For four days, students from around the country convene for learning, professional development, training, networking and fun. Some of the standard events at National Conference are the following:

- Opening Reception
- Career development sessions
- PRSA General Sessions
- Chapter development sessions
- Student firm sessions
- Resume critiquing/Interviewing tips
- Networking with professionals
- Career Expo
- Agency Tours
- Awards dinner
- Social events

No PRSSA career is complete without attending a National Conference.

About the Conference

The 2001 PRSSA National Conference will be held on October 26-30, 2001, at the Sheraton Atlanta Hotel in Atlanta, GA. Held in conjunction with the PRSA National Conference, it is the largest national gathering of public relations professionals and students.

PRSSA PROPOSAL--3

There will be exciting opportunities for all attendees including agency tours, Chapter Development Sessions, professional workshops, Career Expo, resume critiquing and social events. Attendees will be able to meet and network with a diverse group of public relations professionals from various agencies, corporations and organizations from around the country.

Informative professional sessions will keep attendees updated on the latest trends in public relations. The chapter development sessions will send members back to their chapters with some great ideas. In addition, the evening socials will definitely make this a memorable occasion for everyone attending.

Registration Costs

Conference Registration

\$195 per member

Registration Includes:

- Registration Materials
- Chapter Development Sessions
- Motivational/Professional Sessions
- Welcome Luncheon
- Student Firm and Chapter Development Sessions
- Career Expo
- Resume Critiquing/Interviewing Tips Sessions
- PRSA General Sessions
- Opening Night Reception
- Awards Dinner
- Two Evening Socials
- Opening Ceremony/Roll Call

-more-

PRSSA PROPOSAL--4

Hotel Costs

Sheraton Atlanta Hotel **\$145.00 - per room, per night
(QUAD OCCUPANCY)**

Hotel stay is for 4 nights, October 26-30, 2001

Attendees

FIU PRSSA has always participated in the National Conferences. This year, FIU PRSSA will be presenting a chapter development session on **"How to Create Publications in A Real Life Setting."** In addition, FIU PRSSA is a finalist for the 2001 Dr. F.H. Teahan National Chapter Awards Competition for Outstanding PRSSA Chapter in the nation.

We hope to send 10 of our most involved and dedicated members to this invaluable networking and professional opportunity.

In the past, the chapter has been able to assist students with registration and/or hotel cost through stipends for their active participation from money that was generated from project funds. Unfortunately, this year, our major project didn't receive funding. The chapter is attempting to cover the cost of the transportation (rental of caravans) for the attendees but can't financially cover their conference costs.

We are respectfully approaching the Council for financial assistance to send delegates to the 2001 National PRSSA Conference.

Conference Break Down

Registration	10 @\$195 per person	<u>\$1,950</u>
Hotel	10 @\$145 per person	<u>\$1,450</u>
	TOTAL:	<u>\$3,400</u>

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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2001 PRSSA National Conference FACT SHEET

What

- Chapter Development Sessions, Career Expo, resume critiquing, professional workshops, motivational sessions, networking with public relations professionals and social events

When

- October 26-30, 2001

Where

- Sheraton Atlanta Hotel
Atlanta, Georgia
\$145.00 - Single/Double/Triple/Quad - per room, per night

Why

- To give students a balanced look at public relations from nationwide leading public relations practitioners.

Registration Costs

- \$195 for pre-registered PRSSA members

Registration includes

- Registration Materials
- Chapter Development Sessions
- Motivational/Professional Sessions
- Welcome Luncheon
- Student Firm and Chapter Development Sessions
- Career Expo
- Resume Critiquing/Interviewing Tips Sessions
- PRSA General Sessions
- Opening Night Reception
- Awards Dinner
- Two Evening Socials
- Opening Ceremony/Roll Call

Our Latest Achievements

2001

- * Get Ready online launch
- * FIU Student Life Awards: Service Finalist
- * SOC President of the Year
- * SOC Advisor of the Year
- * A national PRSSA executive member from FIU

2000

- * FIU Student Life Awards: Service
- * PRSSA Teahan Award: Faculty Advisor of the Year
- * PRSA Educator of the Year
- * Published A Student's Guide to Public Relations Education
- * Distributed one-millionth copy of Get Ready hurricane preparedness guide
- * Two national PRSSA executive members from FIU

1999

- * PRSSA Teahan Award: Outstanding Community Service Project
- * Get Ready

"PRSSA is the port of entry for any student interested in a successful public relations career. From exciting local and national events to networking opportunities on the national and international stage, PRSSA offers a logical complement to PR education-professional development and growth through real-world leadership, experience and interaction."

-Kent Landers
Manager,

Corporate Communications

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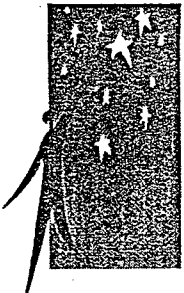
Springboard To Success

About the Organization

The Florida International University's Public Relations Student Society of America Chapter (FIU PRSSA) was established in 1979 with the help of the Miami Public Relations Society of America (PRSA) Chapter. FIU PRSSA has been growing strong ever since its inception.

The organization gives students the opportunity to work outside the academic arena by strengthening their public relations skills in practical situations. In addition, the chapter assists students in networking with public relations practitioners.

The projects that students are involved in range from fundraising to community service. The club has concentrated largely on community safety with a hurricane preparedness guide, *Get Ready*. In addition, FIU PRSSA has focused on the need for an educational tool for students by publishing *A Student's Guide to Public Relations Education*.



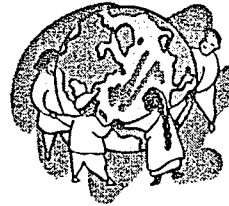
With PRSSA, it is all within your reach.

FIU PRSSA continues to strive towards developing member services, strengthening the PRSA/PRSSA relationship and enhancing community relations through numerous programs. The organization has demonstrated its leadership through receiving various awards and recognitions.

Our Publications

Get Ready

Get Ready is a unique online hurricane preparedness guide distributed free of charge to help South Floridians get ready for the upcoming hurricane season. Written especially for the residents of Miami-Dade and Broward Counties, the guide outlines what to do before, during and after a hurricane.



Serving the community continues to be one of the backbones of FIU PRSSA.

This guide is a compilation of facts and advice from experts such as the American Red Cross, the International and National Hurricane Centers and the Emergency Management Offices of Miami-Dade and Broward Counties.

A Student's Guide to Public Relations Education

A Student's Guide to Public Relations Education is a 40-page book designed for students interested in the public relations profession.

The *Guide*, based largely on information in the 1999 *Report of the Commission on Public Relations Education*, is targeted to high school and college students. It is a resource for students interested in studying public relations, seeking information about the various professional disciplines the field offers, or learning about university public relations programs.

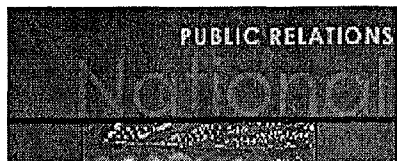
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Friday, October 26

10:00 am - 2:00 pm	Agency Tours
3:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Registration
6:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Meet the National Committee
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Opening Reception - Mardi Gras The

Saturday, October 27

8:00 am - 6:00 pm	Registration
8:00 am - 9:00 am	Session #1
9:15 am - 10:15 am	Session #2
10:30 am - 11:30 am	Session #3
11:45 am - 12:45 am	Session #4
1:00 pm - 2:30 pm	Luncheon

Sunday, October 28

8:00 am - 6:00 pm	Registration
8:00 am - 10:00 am	Welcome/Roll Call
10:30 am - 11:30 am	Session #1
11:45 am - 12:45 pm	Session #2
1:00 pm - 2:30 pm	PRSA Opening General Session
2:45 pm - 3:45 pm	Session #3
5:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Regional Activities Workshops
6:15 pm - 7:15 pm	Chapter Presidents Reception
9:00 pm - 1:00 am	Latin Nights Social

Monday, October 29

8:00 am - Noon	Registration
8:00 am - 10:00 pm	PRSA General Session
10:30 am - 11:30 am	Motivational Session
2:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Career Expo
2:30 am - 5:30 pm	Resume Critique Sessions

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Awards Dinner

9:00 pm - 1:00 am

Halloween Costume Party Social

Tuesday, October 30

8:30 am - 9:30 am

Farewell Breakfast

9:45 am - 11:00 am

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MINUTES FOR STUDENT GOVERNMENT COUNCIL MEETING
February 28, 2001

IN ATTENDANCE:

Tito Omaghomi, President
Veneisha Scott, Vice President
Lilliana Ponce, Rep at Large
Kayanne Medina, Business Rep
Danielle Sherriff, Academic Affairs
Nicaise Parillon, Lower Division Rep
Sherilyn Lukas, Athletics Chair
Adrian Carter, Coordinator of Special Events
Denise A. Valdez, Executive Clerk of Council
Mr. David Cole, Advisor
Kerry Brown, Rep at Large
Suline Beaugi, Rep at Large
Ieva Buivydaite, Arts and Sciences Rep

ABSENT:

Candela Bravo, CHUA Rep
Raphael Zapata, Advisor

GUEST:

Monica LaFrance, Director of Technological Advancement

CALL TO ORDER:

Mr. Tito Omaghomi, SGC President, called meeting to order at 3:15 p.m. He welcomed the council to the meeting, and introduced the makings of the Student Government web page.

Monica LaFrance: Currently is working on the Student Government web page. Her goal was to show the web page to the Council. She went through the different pages of the web site. The site includes the mission statement, by laws, branches of the student government, a menu page, etc.

Dr. Rosenberg, Provost: Came into the meeting to say "Hello. Mentioned Successful "Black Tie Affair."

Tito Omaghomi mentioned to Dr. Rosenberg the following announcements:

- Tito spoke about the Post Office survey
- Stamp Machine: many students feel it is necessary to have one at Biscayne Bay Campus
- Food Service Survey
- Job Expo

- Game Room Closing
- A Gracie's Grill set up at Biscayne Bay Campus, but Alcohol license might be a problem.
- Operation Excellence: specific customer service issues/problems.
- Soccer Field: Dedication opening on March 7th, 2001
- Millennium Meetings

Dr. Rosenberg thanks Council for their dedication and deliberations. Announced that he will be spending extensive time working on Student Grievance Procedure, he is not happy with its current format. Announced that he will develop a "Student Honor Code."

Dr. Rosenberg spoke about the set back of losing the game room and finally thanked Tito for his leadership. He then exited the meeting.

Meeting returns to web page:

- Every link will take you to a new page
- Because of high turnover in the SGC, only the positions will be listed, not the name of the person in the position, except the most important positions, i.e. President, Vice President.
- The policies and procedures of SGC are listed/ can be downloaded, cannot be modified or changed on web.
- Current projects of the SGC will be listed; updates should be submitted to the Webmaster.
- The roles and responsibilities of each individual council member will be available; this information can be downloaded.
- Constitution and by laws will also be listed and can also be downloaded.
- Student Government Services: scholarships, programs, internships.
- Student Programming Council
- Budget
- Statutes
- A form for suggestions and complaints will be available to all students.
- Organization Council coming soon.
- For now, pictures will not be added of council members because of high turnover rate, but they can be added.
- Everything that is in PDF format will stay the same, projects and services can be changed or updated with the Webmaster.
- Email addresses for individual council members was denied
- David Cole wants to change URL from NC to BBC.

Tito Omaghomi entertains motion to pass the web page. Motion is second. All in favor, web page passes. Monica and Usaff are thanked for their work on the web page.

Committee Reports:

Adrian Carter:

- Black Tie Affair very successful. Over 350 people attended and over \$10,000 raised with ticket sales and draw for (limo with expenses covered).

- Pep Rally will be held at the Blue Moon Café, joined with Community Day.

Finance Report was skipped.

Senate Report:

- Meeting held last week Wednesday at 3:20 p.m.
- Forum was announced to members.
- Survey and projects for related positions in the senate for the senate members.

Appointments:

- Nicaise Parillon, Vice President
- Daniel Sherriff, Secretary, but she is not in the Senate so someone else must be elected.

Athletics Chair Report:

- Spoke with Aliace for soccer kick-off: March 7th at 3:00 p.m.
- Asked if 2 barbecue grills could be purchased- went to finance committee.
- Result: can we afford 2 grills? Maybe 1, matter was put in Robert's hands.

Appointments made February 28th, 2001:

- Suline Beauge- Rep at Large
- Kerry Brown- Rep at Large
- Ieva Bulivydaite- Arts & Sciences Rep
- Denise A. Valdez- Executive Clerk of Council
- Danielle Sherriff- Academic Affairs Rep

All votes : All in favor, secret ballot, 5 voters.

Vice President Report:

- Worked on a survey of evaluations of professors and cannot find it.
- New appointments should learn what their roles/responsibilities are.
- Important to find people to run for elections April 3rd and 4th.

President's Report:

- Senate Training Packet (to reduce turnover) –Orientation for senate members.
- Would like to put packet into CD ROM form.
- Job Expo: April 9th 2-7p.m. Committee: Tito, Robert, Rashid, and Ireka.
- Business Network Edict: Showed flyer...event on March 13th at 5:30p.m.
- Went over the percentages of people who knew about the post office closing, who want a stamp machine, who knew about food court coming to BBC, and people who want a TV lounge.
- Need more letters from council members in forms of memos or letters RE: Operation Excellence Customer Service on campus for Patricia Urvan.

New Business:

- Dedication of Soccer Field- March 7th at 3:00 p.m.

- Student Millennium Meeting: Tuesday, March 13th 2-3:15 p.m. Wolfe Auditorium. –hosted by Modesto Madique
--RE: issues affecting BBC
- University Wide Meeting: Robert will contact those who need to attend. Thursday, March 1st 2:00-3:00 p.m.
- Yearbook and Senior Pictures March 6-8th.
- Senators and Council Members post a flyer for colleges to promote senior pictures and yearbook.
- There will be a senate meeting on Wednesday, March 7th.
- Reps at Large- get promo onto the electronic sign.
- Lower Division Rep- place flyers regarding the promotion of the yearbook pictures in AC1 bulletin boards.
- Contact those in charge of the yearbook and duplicate their flyers.
- SGC must take picture for the yearbook.

Advisor's Report:

- Recognized Monica and Assaf work on the web page.
- Spoke about learning what the council members jobs are.
- Term ends the last day of Spring Term.
- Applications must be in by 5:00 p.m. on March 2nd at Ms. Barbara's office.
- If you are running for Rep of any college, you must go up for elections.
- May 11th and 12th : SGA retreat
- Campaign process: March 26th... use Miami-Dade protocol election ballots, the criteria is sent down to UP and the ballot is created for those people running for elections.
- Elections Candidates Meeting: March 8th and March 9th (mandatory meeting). 12:00 p.m. Campus Life Conference Room.
- Campaign for council to promote SGA.
- Millennium Meetings intention to speak to staff/students about issues on campus and turn it into a plan for the next 10 years.
- E-mail is automatic when you register.
- Recommends that the Senate come up with the top ten problems for the millennium meeting.
- Brief on: New food court, new fitness center, Campus life moving to 1st floor, and Council moving to 3rd floor.
- Yearbook student, Jose Otero, not responsive to BBC. There is a list of outstanding seniors for a profile called Senior Spotlight.

Approval of Minutes:

- Correction in spelling of Moneisha's name: missing an 'a' at the end.
- Darylample- name spelled wrong.
- Nicaise- name spelled wrong.
- Solitude St. Louis- not appointed, incorrect votes 3: no 2 in favor.
- Suline appointed this meeting, not last meeting.
- Inclusion not Inculsion.

- Athletic- missing an 'h'.
- Date Feb. 14th not the 24th.

Motion to approve minutes; It was 2nd ... minutes corrections approved.

Community Comments:

- Cambridge Debate: March 27th at 5:00 p.m. There should be at least 2 debaters from BBC. Audience can participate with a 2-minute presentation.
- Millennium Meetings: important for SGA members to attend.
- Rep at Large- Senior Pictures and Senior Spotlight for electronic bulletin board.

Meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m.