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CTO - 5:30 PM

NO Quorum. Review.

Call To Order Galan. Spielberg not scheduled to be there. List as motion
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discovery cruise was December 1996.

Gallagher

PR - VP S Affairs new housing on Bay Fall 98 325 no
kitchens. JH is BU going to close? AP - Probably going to close it
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going up. Decals will be same as employees being paid $4,24,000 (make
of the lowest cost deal). More visitor parking instead of meters. Discuss
amount of meters in housing. Meeting w/ Gallagher next week.

By-Laws

Spoke about last semester. Committee to review SGC Const & By-Laws
will be reverted to Jeff to review w/ 1 next 2 weeks. (Next mtg). New
positions - PR, Special Events, SS, AA, DSL, Secretary/Adm., Elec.
Comm, Parliamentarian. Make a list of "wishes" on spending $ before
deadline. JD - Amunda's telling clubs that cannot have events after
April 11 deadline. Vote on minutes. JD accept min. JH & unanimous!

VP

Tri Council Banquet. In planning stages... asking for help 4/26 Sat.
7 PM Ballroom. Will be Dr. Parkowski Annual Banquet... City of Miami.
declaring Dr. Parkowski Day... Theme: Queen for A Day. Meeting:
4/3 2 PM Conference Rm (363). Ann Band will be planning.
Limiting amount of awards given. Due to surge of SGC. Also asking SGC for write-up of her. Also went to give her a crown. Congrats new SGC.

AR
Congrats to returning & new Council members. SGC Retreat... on a weekend (attendance is mandatory). Next week is May 16-19. AP - looking into more leadership workshops. Get a SGC member priority registration, expect to schedule around May 19.

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Last Monday held forum; 55 attendees. Working on a summary of event. Still working on comp. issues. JH opinion on comments about PR approach. LG - still needs to talk; but was done more. JD - maybe a more direct approach. JH - any suggestions for rep. LG - Camille.

OB -
Secretaries Luncheon. They are using $1500 own money. $800 asked for food & decorations. Asked over 4 seats. Last yr. gave around $600-700. JD - questions spending service funds for university secretaries. Would prefer spending on students. SB - how much can afford? MM - could take out of General. JD - when do they need to know? AP - banquet in 3 wks. Needs to be done now. DG made motion based on what given yr. JH - ($700) 4 in favor, 1 opposed.
NB - 
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SB Speak to new council members — attend mtgs.
VH Suggest coffee house @ LG
MM Might be transferring to Boston; will know at end of month
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Ms. Thania Cantave, Administrative Assistant
Mr. Jeff Dismukes, Graduate Representative
Ms. Tanisha Drummond, Clerk of Council
Ms. Debra Goldman, Broward Awareness Representative
Ms. Liliana Gomez, Student Services Chair
Mr. Julian Humphreys, Vice President
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Mr. Michael Madridejos, Finance Chair
Ms. Esther Navas, Representative-At-Large
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ABSENT
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