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## Florida International University

### Student Government Council

SGC Meeting January 13, 1999

#### IN ATTENDANCE

Ms. Aileen Abella, Director of University Relations

Ms. Dannielle C. Boyer, Representative-At-Large

Ms. Safiya Burton, President

Mr. Sean Edwards, Lower Division Representative

Mr. Delano Greene, School of Hospitality Representative

Mr. Fadi Hatem, Chief of Staff

Mr. Gakunga Kihohia, Finance Chair

Ms. Liana M. Perez, Director of Community Relations

Ms. Nicole Perkins, College of Urban and Public Affairs Representative

Ms. Avia Rice, Representative-At-Large

Mr. R. Mitchel Saintilmon, Director of Athletics

Ms. Veneisha Scott, Panther Power Coordinator

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Mr. William Stafford III, School of Nursing Representative

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#### **GUESTS**

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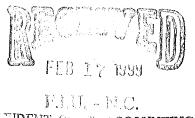
#### CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:10 p.m. by President Safiya Burton. Ms. Burton welcomed all present, especially our newest member Sean Edwards, and asked members and guests introduce themselves. Ms. Burton then established quorum.

#### **SPC PRESENTATION- HOMECOMING 1999**

#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- Ms. Burton informed and invited Council members to the Martin Luther King Breakfast on Friday, January 15, 1999.
- Senate hearings time and date need to be established.
- Six scholarships are offered by SGC: (1)Academic; (1)Minority; (1) Disability; (2)International; (1)Graduate. The scholarships will be administered through the Academic Affairs committee.
- Ms. Burton announced the resignations of Veronica Arcila, Student Services Chair, and Heidi Mark, Clerk of Council.
- Ms. Safiya Burton announced Kervins Laurent's interest in re-appointment as Lower Division Representative. Ms. Mahasin Salahuddin moved to re-appoint Kervins Laurent as Lower Division Representative. Ms. Cristina Sorondo seconded. VOTE: Motion passes; 1 abstention.



- Ms. Mahasin Salahuddin expressed an interest in appointment as Academic Affairs Chair.
   Ms. Dannielle Perkins moved to appoint Mahasin Salahuddin as Academic Affairs Chair. Ms. Cristina Sorodo seconded. VOTE: Motion passes: Unanimous.
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#### ADVISOR'S REPORT

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#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

#### **Panther Power Director**

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#### **OLD BUSINESS**

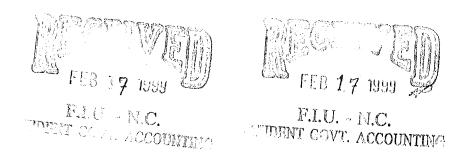
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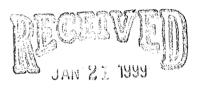
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