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Florida International University

Student Government Council

**SGC MEETING
NOVEMBER 12, 1998**

6:00 PM

IN ATTENDANCE

Mrs. Aileen Abella, Director of University Relations
Ms. Veronica Arcila, Student Services Chair
Ms. Dannielle Boyer, Representative-At-Large
Ms. Safiya Burton, President
Mr. Delano Greene, School of Hospitality Representative
Mr. Fadi Hatem, Chief of Staff
Ms. Lakisha Holmes, Vice President
Mr. Gakunga Kihohia, Finance Chair
Mr. Kervins Laurent, Lower Division Representative
Ms. Heidi Mark, Administrative Assistant/ Clerk of Council
Ms. Giralda Merkman, Representative-At-Large
Ms. Nicole Perkins, College of Urban and Public Affairs Representative
Ms. Liana Perez, Director of Community Relations
Ms. Avia Rice, Representative-At-Large
Mr. Mervin Robinson, Representative-At-Large
Mr. Mitchel Saintilmon, Athletics Director
Ms. Mahasin Salahuddin, Lower Division Representative
Ms. Veneisha Scott, Panther Power Chair
Mr. William Stafford III, School of Nursing Representative
Ms. Christina Sorondo, School of Journalism and Mass Communications Representative
Mr. Rafael Zapata, Campus Activities/ Advisor

ABSENT

Mrs. Helen Ellison, Advisor
Mr. David L. Cole, Associate Director of Campus Activities
Ms. Mireidy Fernandez, Academic Affairs Chair
Ms. Jacqueline Sconiers, Bay Vista Hall Council Representative (excused)

GUESTS

Ms. Katrina Davey (SGC Intern)
Ms. Tada Grey, SGC Intern
Ms. Amber Rinehart, SGC Intern
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CALL TO ORDER

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Ms. Burton welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked the guests present to introduce themselves. Following this, the meeting was turned over to Ms. Katrina Davey, SGC Presidential Intern, who chaired the meeting for the afternoon.

- The SGC Mini-Retreat takes place tomorrow, Friday November 13 at the Kovens Conference Center. Everyone is expected to be there promptly at 9:00 a.m.
- Ms. Burton commented on the fact that the Council received a lot of Beacon coverage over the past week. There were about 5 articles on the Council in the last issue of the Beacon.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- Weekly reports need to be handed in by every council member every Friday.
- The application for Best SGC will be submitted tomorrow. Thanks to all those who helped in preparing the application.
- Please remember the FIU vs. Michigan basketball game to tomorrow. Ms. Mahasin Salahuddin was concerned about the fact that students still have to pay to ride the buses to games. She felt that since athletic fees are used to provide the buses, then students should not have to pay for the trips. Ms. Holmes informed the council that Dr. Correnti had agreed to pay for Pizza for students going to the FIU vs., Michigan game.

ADVISOR'S REPORT

- Mr. Rafael Zapata provided an update on the special elections. The deadline for turning in applications has ended today and the elections will take place next week Tuesday and Wednesday.
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COMMITTEE REPORTS

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

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FINANCE

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STUDENT SERVICES

- On Wednesday November 25, the committee is sponsoring a Night Out to grand prix Race-O-Rama. The cost is \$3 for students and included in the package are passes for all rides and \$5 worth of tokens.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS

- The committee is working on Cram Jam, which will be held during week of finals.
- The next community service event will be on November 22. We will be visiting the Claridge House for the Elderly.

UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

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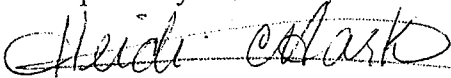
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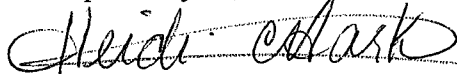
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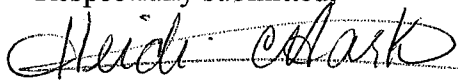
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