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# Florida International University

## Student Government Council

SGA MEETING

JUNE 22, 1999

### IN ATTENDANCE

Mr. Kunga Kihohia, President  
Mr. Tito Omaghomi, Vice President  
Ms. Katrina Davey, Lower Division Representative  
Ms. Gloria Bryan, Lower Division Representative  
Ms. Florence Carranza, Graduate Representative  
Ms. Nicole Perkins, Clerk of Council/Secretary  
Ms. Ula Zucker, Journalism and Mass Communications Representative  
Ms. Monica LaFrance, Student Services Chairperson  
Ms. Avia Rice, Representative-at-Large (LT)  
Ms. Dannielle Boyer, Representative-at-Large  
Ms. Jenee F. Jones, Chief of Staff – Volunteer  
Mr. David Cole, Advisor  
Mr. Rafael Zapata, Advisor  
Mr. Alberto Kan, Director of University Relations/ Special Events  
Mr. Alois Odhiambo, Director of Student Lobbying/Community Relations (LT)  
Mr. Alioune Pallaye Kane, Academic Affairs Chairperson  
Mrs. Gayane Stepanian, Broward Representative  
Ms. Veneisha Scott, Panther Power Coordinator  
Mr. Angel Garcia, Representative-at-Large  
Mr. Mitch Santilmon, Athletics Coordinator  
Mr. Robert Castellanos, Finance Chairperson

### ABSENT

Mr. David Dajani, School of Hospitality Representative  
Mr. Peter Gallego, Representative-at-Large  
Ms. Shrita Penn, Graduate Representative

### GUESTS

Mr. Orlando Amorin, President – SGA/UP  
Ms. Linda Lubin, SPC Chairperson

### CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Kunga Kihohia, SGC President, called the meeting to order at 6:09 p.m. He asked the Council to review the minutes. Ms. Gloria Bryan made a motion to accept the minutes as submitted. Ms. Dannielle Boyer seconded the move. 5 in favor, 2 opposed 0 abstentions.

### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Kihohia expressed his concern with the Senate. There has been confusion in the role that the Senate plays. He saved this discussion for the end of the meeting. Every was given an opportunity to express their questions and concerns about this matter. In addition, Mr. Kihohia explains the process of voting in Senate meetings. The voting must be left at general SGA meeting because the whole Council needs to be informed on what's being voted upon.

### VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Omaghomi compiled a list of those members who are behind on their weekly reports. He also announced that from today, those weekly reports that are late will be considered as absent. This will result in the holding of paychecks. He thanked those members who provided input on the APA. The members, who submitted input and did not put your name on it, please identify your work.

Mr. Omaghomi took this time for the Council to reinstate two of its former members. Ms. Veneisha Scott was removed from the Council due to being absent for three meetings. Mr. Angel Garcia was removed for the same reason. Both were given opportunities to explain their absence and why they should be reinstated.

Ms. Gloria Bryan made a motion to appoint Mr. Angel Garcia as a Representative-at-Large. Ms. Katrina Davey seconded the motion. VOTE: Unanimous.

Ms. Gloria Bryan, also made a motion to re-appoint Ms. Veneisha Scott as the Panther Power Coordinator. Ms. Dannielle Boyer seconded it. VOTE: Unanimous.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

*Mr. Pallaye Kane, Chair*

Mr. Kane spoke briefly about the SGC scholarship distribution. Six scholarships will be awarded. They are each for \$500 per year. There are 11 applicants. A committee of seven people, including staff and students, will determine the winners.

### STUDENT SERVICES

*Ms. Monica LaFrance, Chair*

No report.

### PANTHER POWER

*Ms. Veneisha Scott, Chair*

No report.

### CHIEF OF STAFF/EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR - VOLUNTEER

*Ms. Jenee F. Jones*

Ms. Jones informed the Council that letters of absenteeism will be distributed from here on out. Once any Council member has missed at least two meetings, they will be notified with one of the absenteeism letters.

### UNIVERSITY RELATIONS/ SPECIAL EVENTS

*Mr. Alberto Kan*

Mr. Alberto Kan proposed a pep rally supporting the Law School adventure. There was a proposal for a party also. Mr. Kan also announced that there are approximately 57 students signed up to go to the Law School Rally in Tallahassee.

### FINANCE

*Mr. Robert Castellanos*

Mr. Castellanos announced that the budget has been approved. Every Council member should have received a copy of the budget in his or her box. The Finance committee meeting are scheduled for Thursdays.

### STUDENT LOBBYING/ COMMUNITY RELATIONS

*Mr. Alois Odhiambo*

Mr. Odhiambo announced that there will be a FSA meeting held in the Roz and Cal Kovens Conference Center this Friday, June 25, 1999 at 10:30 a.m.

### ADVISOR'S REPORT

Mr. David Cole and Mr. Rafael Zapata announced that there is another City Council meeting. It is scheduled for June 22, 1999. The time is to be announced.

### NEW BUSINESS

The Senate needs to appoint a Chair, Vice-Chairperson, and Secretary. Ms. Avia Rice and Ms. Florence Carranza were both nominated for the position of Senate Chairperson. Regretfully, Ms. Carranza declined the nomination. Ms. Dannielle Boyer made a motion to appoint Ms. Rice as Senate Chairperson. Ms. Katrina Davey seconded the motion. VOTE: 8 in favor, 1 opposition, 0 abstentions.

Ms. Dannielle Boyer was nominated for Senate Vice-Chairperson. Ms. Rice made a motion to appoint Ms. Boyer as Senate Vice-Chairperson. Ms. Ula Zucker seconded that motion. VOTE: Unanimous.

Ms. Katrina Davey was nominated for Senate Secretary. Ms. Dannielle Boyer moved to appoint Ms. Davey to this position. Ms. Gloria Bryan seconded it. VOTE: 7 in favor, 1 opposition, 0 abstentions.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS:

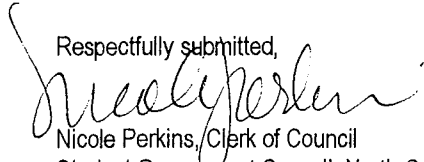
SPC is excited about the new academic year. They recently filled the deadline for the Campus Activities calendar. Ms. Linda Lubin, SPC President, will be attending Orientation sessions to inform new students about the Tri-Council.

Ms. Ula Zucker is working on office remodeling. She found that the office needs a more professional appearance. She will research different furniture stores for the best prices.

ADJORNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 8 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Nicole Perkins, Clerk of Council  
Student Government Council, North Campus

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